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COMMENT OF THE DAY

A Better Approach

IF direct negotiations in the Anglo-Egyptian dispute are reopened this week the welcome development can be considered a personal achievement on the part of Mr. Aly Maher Pasha, the Egyptian Prime Minister. It means that not only has he convinced the British Government of his good faith, but has succeeded in the delicate task of winning support from the highly sensitive and critical Opposition parties in Egypt. Both factors are of paramount importance. The Premier's initiative merits commendation, more especially as it has taken the form of conciliation and aims at making possible an amicable and mutually satisfactory settlement. Maher Pasha is reported to have worked out a formula which he hopes Britain will find acceptable as a basis for discussion. It suggests the complete evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal within a year; unity of the Sudan under the Egyptian Crown with a three-year transitional period in which the Sudanese would take over the administration of their country under United Nations supervision; a regional pact within the framework of the UN Charter for the defence of the Middle East, which would include all the seven member States of the Arab League security pact, together with neighbouring countries, with Egypt in command.

THE Egyptian Premier can be credited with adroitness. His first two propositions are wholly in line with Egyptian national aspirations, but modified in such a manner as to warrant consideration, while the third point clearly indicates that Egypt is prepared to agree, at least in principle, to be associated with a Middle East defence scheme. To Britain the question of the eventual withdrawal of troops from the Suez Canal Zone is inextricably bound up with the conclusion of a Middle East defence pact to which Egypt must be a signatory. Maher Pasha's proposals, as known at present, certainly provide some common ground for negotiations. The important change in the Egyptian attitude is in emphasis. It is not merely national aspiration which the Egyptians are now prepared to discuss. Discernible in the Maher Pasha formula is recognition of responsibilities to the rest of the Middle East, and a tacit acknowledgment that Egypt cannot afford to stand alone against the potential danger of Communist aggression, both from within and without. It is this which Britain has been at some pains to make clear to Egypt. Not only are British and Egyptian interests at stake; the whole future stability and security of the Middle East are involved. The dispute between the two countries, therefore, cannot be settled along narrow lines governed by national aims and motives. Whatever new accord is reached must be wide enough to offer some guarantee to the whole of the free world against the sudden collapse of the Middle East before Communist aggression.

"Handsome GI" Stages Hold-Ups

Tokyo, Feb. 23.—Three robberies were committed on Sunday evening in Tokyo's back alleys in a matter of 25 minutes by a gun carrier described by the victims as "a handsome, young GI in uniform". The job of the lone robber was small and unimpressive. He netted him only 10,000 yen or about \$45. In his first hold-up, the man got away with \$30 yen (\$1.20).

Vital NATO Decisions May Be Reached Today

MEASURES TO RESTRAIN COMMUNISTS FROM OVERRUNNING EUROPE

Lisbon, Feb. 24.

The 14 Atlantic Allies on Sunday neared the end of their ninth session in almost complete agreement in the steps they will have to take to keep the Red armies of Communism from overrunning Europe.

Each of the steps, it became immediately apparent, would involve sacrifices by governments, by soldiers and, to an even greater extent, by taxpayers.

On the eve of Monday's adjournment, Foreign, Defence and Finance Ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) seemed sure to arrive at these four final decisions:

1. To provide approximately 50 combat-ready land divisions and 4,000 operational aircraft for European defence this year in addition to forces Greece and Turkey can make available.
2. To approve the general outlines of a plan partially drafted by France, West Germany, Italy and the Benelux nations to merge their armies into a European defence force.
3. To create a board to make a detailed study of the Western world's needs for air fields, barracks, communications lines and other army-supporting facilities, and recommend how to share the cost of building them.
4. To streamline the NATO organisation itself and make it more efficient, or a pattern roughly like that of the United Nations Secretariat, instead of the present overlapping boards and committees.

The 14 Foreign Ministers will meet again on Monday morning with possibly another closing session in the afternoon. The Big Three—Secretary of State Dean Acheson, French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman, and British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden—arranged to stay over until Tuesday for a conference on German and Austrian affairs.

The highlight of the ninth NATO Council session was the approval of the European Army scheme. This makes it possible for the plan's drafters to finish their treaty. A European Army that will have German soldiers back in uniform, and permit the fabulous Ruhr Valley industries to start again turning out munitions to help the West's defence.

The plans for a 50-division army this year were approved on Saturday in a vote by the Ministers accepting the report of Mr. W. Averell Harriman's Temporary Council Committee (TCC) on the ability of the Allied nations to share the defence burden.

Military men attending the Lisbon conference say only about 45 to 50 divisions will be ready by the end of the year. Right now, General Dwight D. Eisenhower's Allied Command has less than 30 divisions either ready to fight or available on 15-day mobilisation. That means that 20 more divisions have to be recruited and armed in the next 10 months to meet the NATO goal.

end of this year they would have to fight their way. By the end of 1954 we would be able to throw them back."

Of military buildup plans after this year the council decision said only that their plan "provided a definite programme for taking measures this year necessary to increase defensive power of NATO in following years."

1954 TARGET

Military sources here say the target for the end of 1954 is 100 combat-ready divisions, although economic problems may support more than 85 to 90 of them.

The quarrel, in fact, between soldiers and economists has been one of the enlivening factors of the whole Lisbon meeting. The soldiers, headed by such men as Gen. Eisenhower's Chief of Staff, General Omar Bradley, head of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff, have laid down the minimums they need to defend Europe.

The civilians, including the ministers themselves and such giants of the economic world as Mr. Harriman, France's Jean Monnet and Britain's Sir Edwin Flounden, have tried to reduce their demands to numbers the Western world's taxpayers can afford.

In general, the generals have had their way. As a result, taxpayers of the US and all other nations in the historic alliance, will have to dig deeper.

Mr. Harriman goes before the US Congress in about two weeks to support President Truman's bid for \$7,000,000,000 in new aid to Europe.

SIGNATURES NEEDED

Two of the major NATO decisions at Lisbon still must be formally voted and signed.

One of them is "infrastructure," the government's word for the physical properties of a combat army, including air fields, communications, right down to mess kits.

The Council approved the outlay of approximately \$75,000,000,000 for defence by the Western governments in the coming year.

Greece and Turkey were not included since they were not members of NATO until this session of the Council, nor was Iceland which has no military forces, and Portugal which has not put its army under General Eisenhower's operational command.

Conference quarters placed some blame on the United States itself for its failure to get its war production machine running smoothly and deliver arms to Western Europe.

The heavy cost of the Indo-China war to France, particularly in the loss of badly-needed officers and non-coms, also played a major role in scaling down "the original strategic plans."

Failure of Britain to solve economic problems, the slow labour in putting Italy's surplus labour to work in essential production, inflation in France and a dearth of coal supplies also added to the difficulties.

Plane Wreck Discovered

Paris, Feb. 24.—A French villager searching alone in the mountains of the Cevennes, Central France, today found the wreckage of a British Wellington aircraft which crashed on February 8.

The searcher, Edmond Trainor, had been a member of earlier parties forced to give up the search in snow storms. He decided to carry on on his own. He found the bodies of the seven occupants of the aircraft. Two were in the wreckage, one was caught in a tree and four others lay outside the fuselage.

Wreckage was scattered for more than 350 feet.

The aircraft had left Hullavington airbase in Wiltshire, England, on the night of February 7.—Reuter.

Hypnotised Girl Recovering

Sunderland, Feb. 24.—Miss Elizabeth Yates, 18-year-old factory girl, who has been intermittently in a trance for nearly 100 hours, was said tonight to be "progressing satisfactorily."

After being hypnotised at a demonstration in a Sunderland cinema, Miss Yates fell asleep on Wednesday and was taken to hospital. She has wakened occasionally and then relapsed into unconsciousness.

Sleep Walker Not Guilty Of Alleged Crime

Exeter, Feb. 24.—Lieutenant Leonard James Fairbridge, 35, Royal Navy instructor who attacked his wife with an axe while he was sleep walking, was found not guilty of attempted murder at the Devon Assizes, Exeter.

The jury, who had heard the wife, Mrs. Marion Fairbridge, 31, say that she had never been a quarrelsome wife, took six minutes to reach their verdict.

On another charge—wounding with intent to cause grievous bodily harm—they held that the incident took place while Fairbridge was in a state of somnambulism. This, the judge directed, was equivalent to a verdict of not guilty.

Fairbridge, of Wembury, near Plymouth, employed in the Royal Naval Hospital, Stonehouse, was discharged.—Reuter.

French Taxes To Go Up 15%

The Cost Of Helping Western Defence

Paris, Feb. 25.—Premier Edgar Faure announced early today (Monday) that most French taxes will have to be increased 15 per cent instead of 10 per cent as previously planned so France can play her part in Western defence.

Mr. Faure told newsmen a Cabinet meeting had authorised him to ask the National Assembly for a vote of confidence if necessary on his tax plan.

Mr. Faure returned from a North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Council meeting in Lisbon on Sunday.

He plunged immediately into a series of conferences, first with Budget Minister Pierre Comant and then with other leaders. Later there was a three-hour Cabinet meeting that ended shortly after midnight.

It was apparent that the Premier was returning to face a host of troubles, both political and economic.

Reds Threat At Pan Mun Jom Truce Talks

Munsan, Feb. 25.—Communist negotiators threatened today to drag the Korean truce talks out for months if they could not have their way on key deadlocking issues.

Embittered charges by each side that the other was stalling took some of the shine off hopes raised by recent agreements on a post-armistice peace conference and other issues.

Allied and Communist staff officers will meet as usual today. But prospects for state-breaking concessions or compromise looked slim.

The Reds served notice on Sunday that the Allies could delay the talks "for another 70 days or even longer" by standing pat on their demand for a choice by war prisoners as to whether they should be sent back where they came from.

The Allied representatives labelled the Red nomination of Russia to the neutral truce inspection commission as the "direct occasion for the delay in solving" the problem of polling an armistice.

The only promising news from Pan Mun Jom on Sunday was that the staff officers agreed on the figure of 35,000 as the number of troops to be rotated monthly during an armistice.

Hidden Arms Cache Found

Ex-Governor Held

Cardenas, Mexico, Feb. 24.—The discovery of a hidden arms cache led to the arrest today of the former governor of San Luis Potosi State on suspicion of plotting a revolution.

Colonel Mateo Hernandez Nieto and two others were seized by Federal and State secret police after an informer uncovered a large supply of cartridges and rifles, one machinegun, dynamite and bombs in a cave near Cardenas.

The shadow of propaganda charges touched off by the rioting on Koje-do Island still hung heavily over the truce talks. Colonel Tsai Cheng Wen renewed charges Sunday in talks on prisoner exchange, Col. Tsai said, "Your side may continue to bomb the prisoners-of-war camps of our side. Your side may continue to massacre our captured personnel. However we will firmly fight against such wrong and criminal actions and we will oppose such inhuman actions forever."

Col. Tsai said the prisoner problem could be solved if the Allies dropped their demand for the right of the captives to choose where they go after their release from the stockades.

"Your side may make a choice of delaying these meetings for another 70 days or even longer," he said.

Col. George Hickman reported that the Reds were applying a "double standard" to the principle of repatriation. He reminded the Reds that at one time they claimed that thousands of Allied captives were released at the front after being "re-educated." None has ever returned to the Allied territory.

TIGHT DEADLOCK

"You, in effect, permitted them to exercise what might be called voluntary repatriation, or its equivalent at or some time after their capture," Col. Hickman said.

The deadlock over the membership of Russia on the truce supervision commission was equally tight. The Allies accepted the Red nominations of Poland and Czechoslovakia to the commission and the Reds indicated they had no objections to the Allied choices of Norway, Sweden and Switzerland.

Colonel Andrew Kinney told the Reds that they were merely delaying the negotiations by failing to withdraw Russia as neutral nomination or by not picking all representatives from Poland and Czechoslovakia.

"Your failure is the direct occasion for the delay in solving the matter," he said.—United Press.

Woman Adrift In Boat

Would-Be Rescuers Missing

Ceday Key, Florida, Feb. 24.—Search boats today found a lone woman who had been adrift on a houseboat for nearly 30 hours in the storm-tossed Gulf of Mexico and turned to hunt for two men lost in a speedboat.

The missing men had joined the search for Mrs. Annie Simpson on Saturday and failed to return in their 14-foot runabout. Mrs. Simpson was found riding at anchor about 20 miles offshore from this fishing village. Two boats took in tow her 42-foot houseboat which had slipped its moorings in the Suwanee River on Friday night and drifted into the storm-lashed Gulf while she slept.

"No, I wasn't scared," the diminutive 41-year-old woman told her rescuers, "My little dogs were more scared than I was. I've been on the water too long and, besides, this houseboat is my home."

The two missing searchers were identified as Oscar Oblum and his companion.

LET DOWN ANCHOR

Mrs. Simpson, wife of a commercial fisherman, said she was awakened on Saturday morning and a big search "when she was looking at her husband's 175-pound anchor by its winch and secure her craft near a wartime bombing range in the Gulf. Heavy fog veiled her position from boats that sought the search when her husband returned to find his "house" had drifted away. When the sea calmed, Mrs. Simpson said she dropped a line over the side to fish.

Simpson was aboard one of the two boats which found her wife. He said she had spent all Saturday night bailing the boat with a bucket. She had tried to use the pump aboard but it would not work. The fisherman, hollow-eyed from spending two nights and a day on water without sleep searching for her, said, "She was sure tickled when she saw me."—United Press.

Queen Will Visit New Zealand

Auckland, Feb. 24.—Prime Minister Sidney Holland said in a broadcast on Sunday night, "Queen Elizabeth II. definitely will tour New Zealand as soon as circumstances permit. She was in Kenya, en route to a state visit in Australia and New Zealand, when she was recalled on Feb. 6 by the unexpected death of King George VI.—Associated Press.

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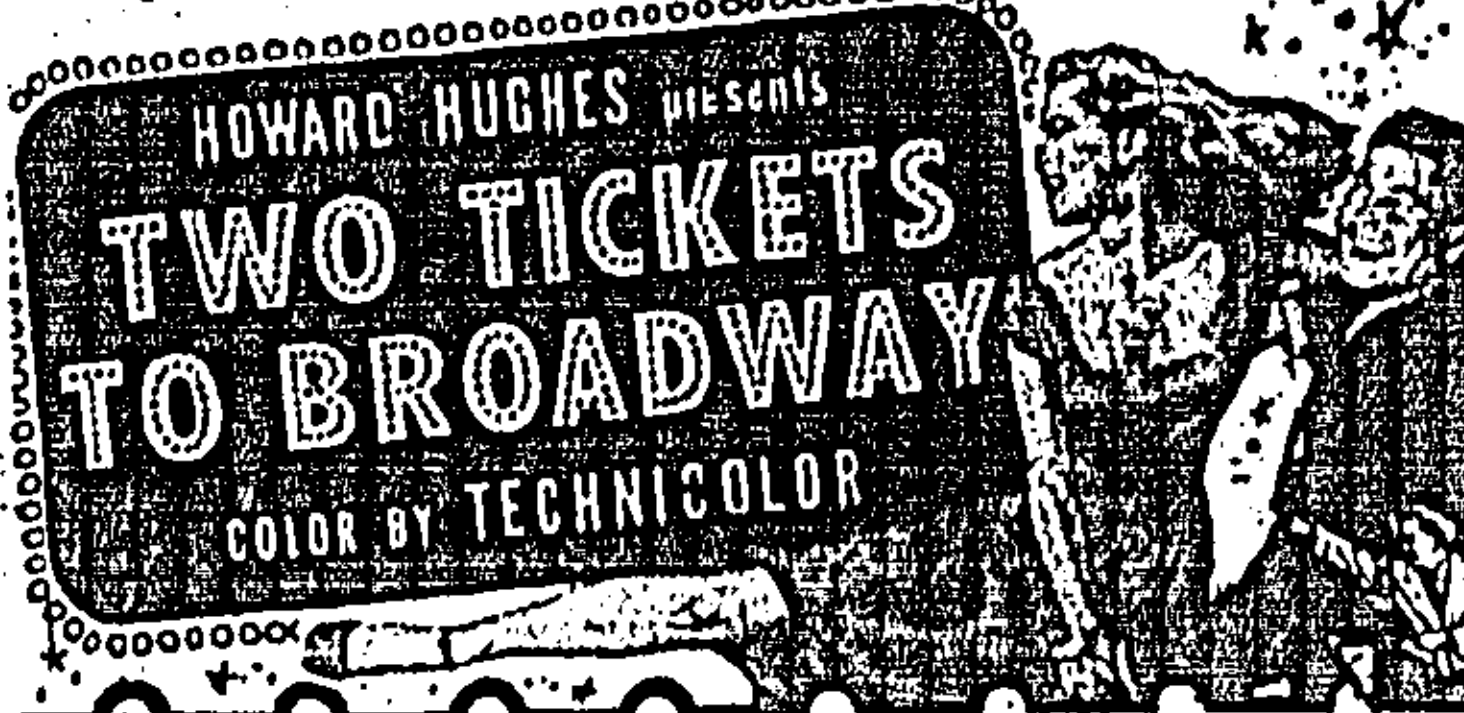
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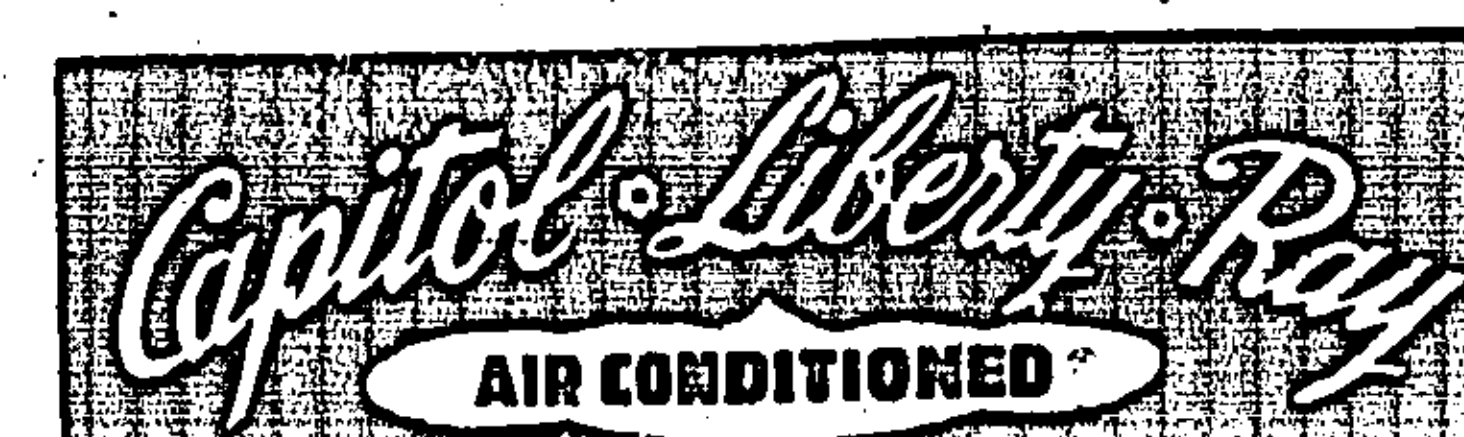
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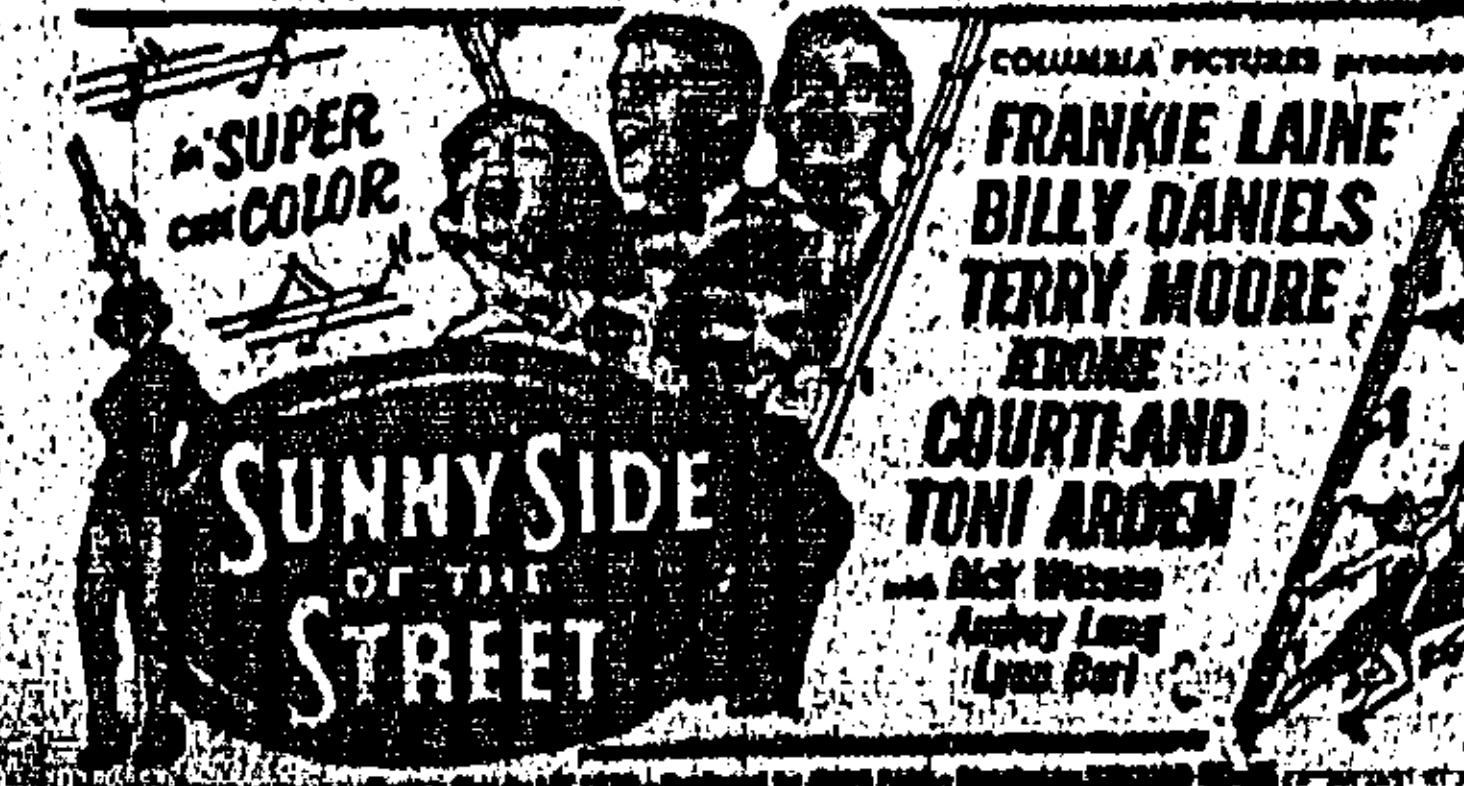
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Still Pouring Into Windsor

Windsor, Feb. 24.
Nine days after the funeral of King George VI, 40,000 people visited Windsor Castle today to view the wreaths on display outside St. George's Chapel.

Today was the last day the wreaths were on show to the public. Hundreds of thousands of people from all parts of Britain and from overseas have seen them since the late King was buried in the Royal vault under St. George's Chapel on February 15.—Reuter.

Yugoslavia Praised By U.S. Envoy

WOULD PUT UP GOOD FIGHT

Washington, Feb. 24.
The United States Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Mr. George Allen, said today that Yugoslavia had a tough army which would fight any Soviet satellite attacks effectively.

Mr. Allen added that this estimate of Yugoslavia's determination to defend itself "also seems to be the opinion of Mr. Josef Stalin".

Speaking on television, the Ambassador said that Yugoslavia, though a Communist country, had been firm with Moscow and its satellites ever since it split with the Cominform in June 1948. The split was as important in the international political field as the explosion of the atomic bomb.

"They have a tough army, one that has had much experience in fighting to defend its homeland," he continued. "Its mere existence now serves the cause of peace. In my opinion, and the opinion of most foreign observers in Belgrade, including diplomats and journalists, the Yugoslav Army would fight well, consistently and effectively, against any effort to subjugate the country."

Mr. Allen, home for consultations with the State Department, said the 1948 break between Russia and Yugoslavia had continually widened and deepened while Yugoslavia's relations with the West had steadily improved.

A BULWARK

"Today the Yugoslav Army and people, stoutly resisting Soviet threats and pressures, stand as a bulwark of strength against aggression and thus buttress the whole European defence system," he added.

Marshal Tito, the Yugoslav leader, put his country's national independence ahead of basic Communist ideals.

But, despite his modification of the Soviet type of Communism, Yugoslavia remained Communist.

The envoy said that the United States, Britain and France were holding conferences here now to determine whether they would grant further co-ordinated economic aid to Yugoslavia.

Yugoslavia had been helping herself against great odds, he said.—United Press.

Grave UN Warning To Europe On Serious Coal Supply Deficit

Increased Output Vital

Geneva, Feb. 24.

The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe in a report published here today urged the reorganisation of existing European coal allocation schemes if any economic progress is to be made.

The report forecasts that in five years the European coal deficit will be around 50,000,000 tons unless new methods of increasing production are found.

Six years after World War I, in 1924, Britain produced 247,000,000 tons of coal but in 1951, six years after World War II, production dropped to 226,000,000 tons, the report says.

In Western Germany output is still below pre-war production for four main reasons:

- 1.—Distorted age distribution of the mining labour force.
- 2.—Appalling housing conditions in the Ruhr district.
- 3.—Uncertainty over the ownership of the mines.
- 4.—Propaganda against producing coal for export.

Of all these factors, the report says, only the first is outside human control. Among the others, the housing shortage is probably the most important. On present plans this should be greatly relieved in the next two years.

The report recommended the exploitation of unused water resources to increase hydro-electric capacity and the replacement of obsolete combustion engines as a means of saving coal consumption.

On the main theme of the report's coal problem, the report said, "Governments of coal producing countries, if they are to help the economic progress of their neighbours, will have to accustom themselves to thinking of the export of coal as a purpose which may well deserve priority over the wasteful provision of electrical energy for space heating."

The Commission predicted that the achievement of Western Europe's industrial development plans—including increased arms production—would be hindered by the evergrowing shortage of coal.

The report urged vigorous government action both to discourage the wasteful use of high-grade coal and to accelerate coal production. If the Western governments failed to tackle the problem effectively, the Commission said, they could be faced with the alternative of a drastic lowering of production targets or an annual drain of \$600,000,000 by 1956 for purchases of American coal.

"Among the many commodity shortages which have befallen Europe since the war," the report declared, "the shortage of coal stands out as both the most serious and the most unnecessary."

GAP WIDENING
The Commission estimated that the industrial development plans of the countries participating in the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC) implied an increase in annual coal consumption of 80,000,000 metric tons by 1956. In the same period, the Commission forecast, Western Europe's annual coal

Veteran RN Officer Dead

St. Mawes, Feb. 24.
Commander Bertram Philbbs RN, retired, who has died at St. Mawes, Cornwall, was for 13 years in command of the old Warspite training ship on the Thames at Grays, Essex.

He retired from the post of Captain-Superintendent of the Warspite in January, 1932.

The Warspite was sold to be broken up for scrap in 1940 after having served as a training ship since 1923. She replaced the earlier Warspite—a wooden ship which had been destroyed by fire.

The late Commander Philbbs began his sea career as a cadet in 1888. When the First World War began he was inspecting Officer of the Coastguard at Lyme Regis and received a war appointment in command of the Portland Examination Service.—Reuter.

MILITARY TRAINING WARNING

Washington, Feb. 24.

The Senate Armed Services Committee warned that UMT (Universal military training) trainees may have to be called up for 18 months of active service unless the armed forces can be cut.

This contradicts an amendment inserted in the UMT bill by the House Armed Services Committee in an effort to get the measures passed over stiff House opposition. The House group decreed that the UMT graduates cannot be called to active duty from the reserve without a special Act of Congress.

The Senate committee said that is a question to be settled in an overall reserve bill which it will take up as soon as it deals with the pending military pay increase measure.

Fundamentally, the Senate Committee UMT report, released yesterday, proposed making UMT a prep school for draftees until circumstances allow a cutback in the armed forces so that "UMT" trainees could go into the reserve without active service.

The House committee proposed keeping UMT in a compartment apart from the draft and holding its graduates out of selective service.

The Senate report said as many youths as possible should be trained by UMT at 18 and be returned to civil life after the six-month course with a seven and one-half year obligation to the reserves.

Most draft boards are not taking men until they are 21, the report said.—United Press.

BEST-DRESSED WOMEN IN U.S.

New York, Feb. 24.
Actresses Ava Gardner and Marlene Dietrich were among the top ten today in the annual Custom Tailors Guild of America selection of the "best dressed women in America."

Others included television performer Mrs. Arthur Murray, assistant Defence Secretary Anna Rosenberg, singer Margaret Whelan and opera singer Jaria Novotna.—United Press.

US Carrier Planes Destroy Red Craft

Seoul, Feb. 25.

Allied bombers raked Communist rail lines on Sunday and bombed Red troop centres in clear weather.

Only artillery duels and minor patrol clashes broke the quiet on the battle front.

Delayed reports told of a heavy U.S. naval air action on Saturday off the battered north-east Korean port of Wonsan.

Far East Naval Headquarters said fighter-bombers from the carrier Essex destroyed 42 Red sampans around Wonsan. Two Skyraiders alone accounted for 30 of the sampans.

The Navy said it acted to forestall possible amphibious attacks on Allied-held islands off North Korea.

The North Korean war communique broadcast by Pyongyang radio said its forces sank a destroyer and torpedo boat which were part of an Allied fleet bombarding Kijung island north of Wonsan.

It said Communist anti-aircraft batteries shot down two Allied planes and damaged a third on Sunday.

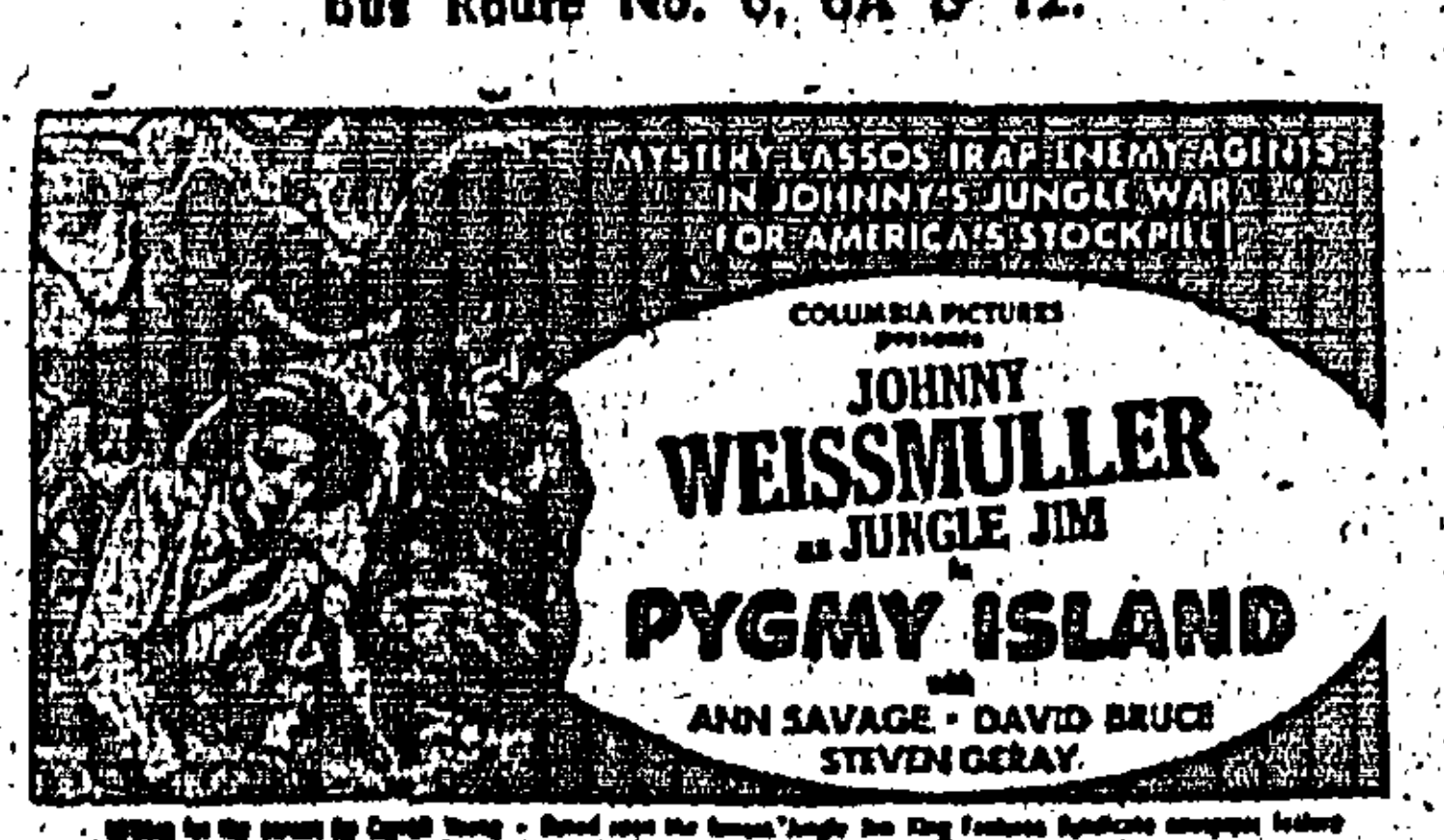
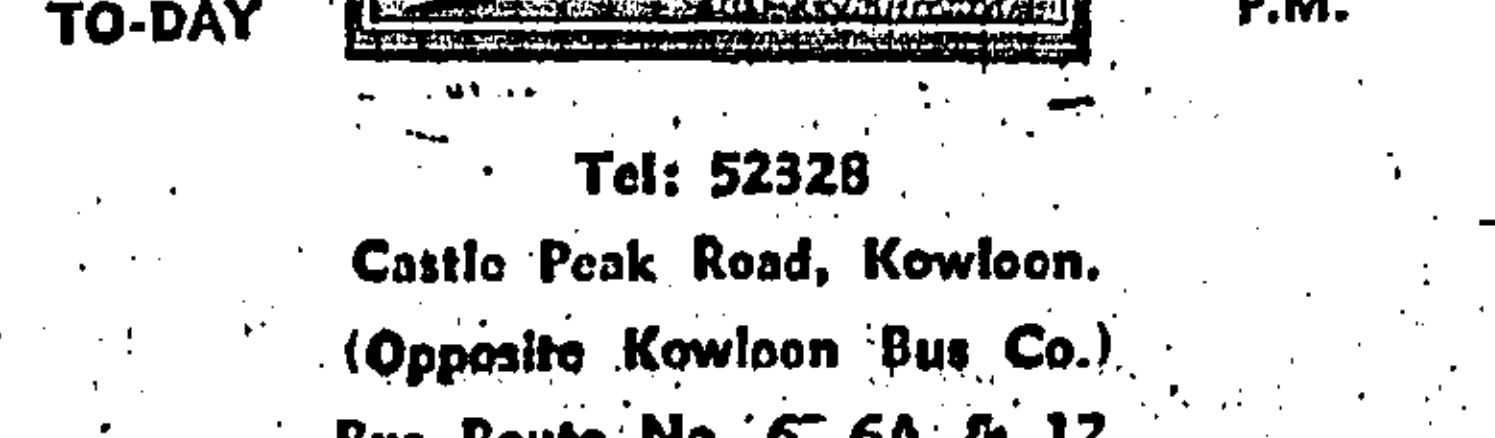
There was no Allied confirmation of the Red claims. In the air war, Australian Meteor jet pilots virtually razed the North Korean village of Chongdon.

For the first time in eight days, Communist jets failed to challenge Allied planes. About 25 were sighted across the Yalu River in Manchuria but they did not cross into Korea.

Fifth Air Force pilots by dusk had flown 40 sorties and were credited with cutting rail lines in 104 places.

Artillery fire blazed along the eastern front for the second straight day.—Associated Press.

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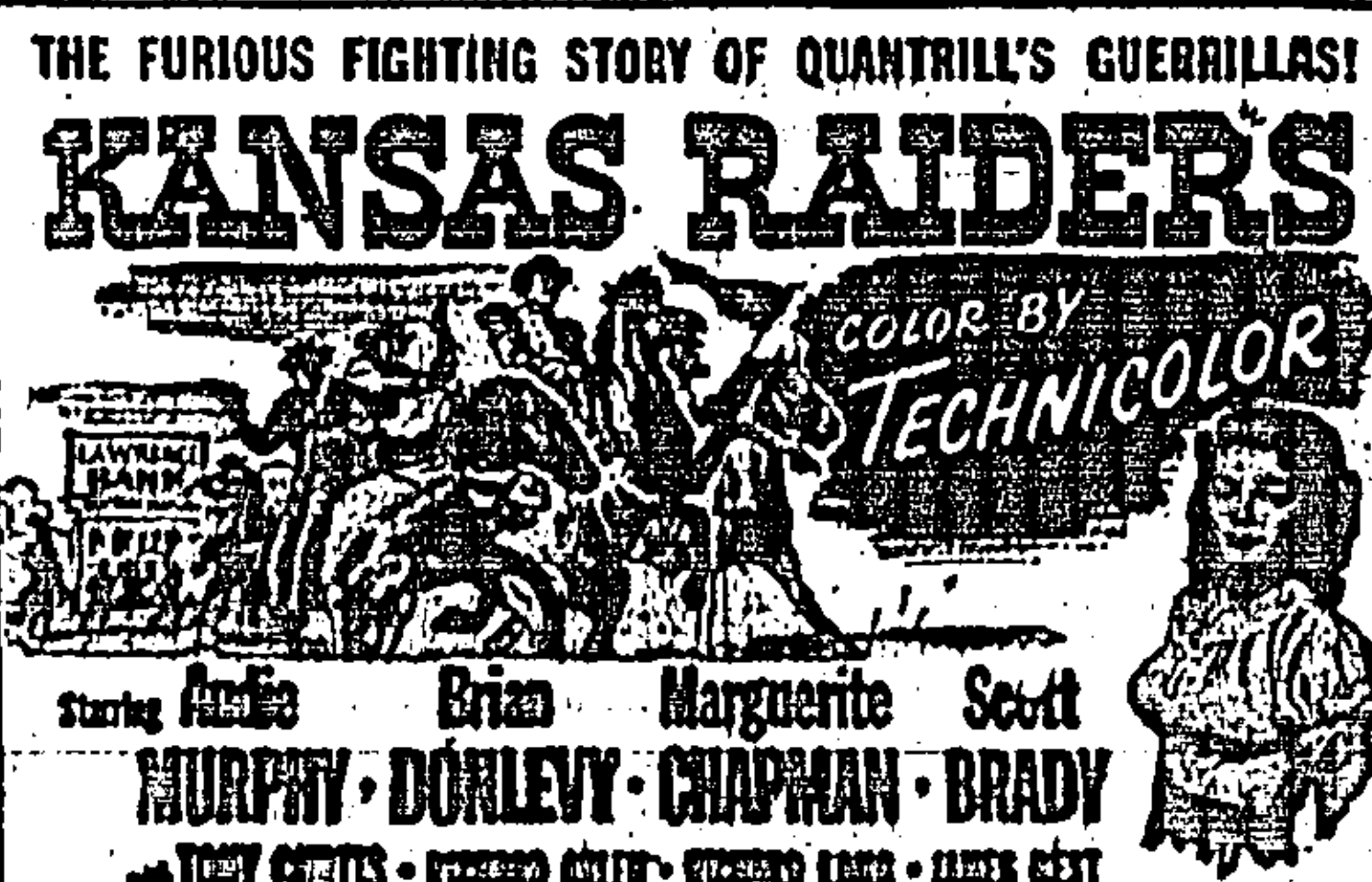
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Check On Leakage To Reds

NEW AGREEMENT ANNOUNCED

Washington, Feb. 24. Ten Western European nations have joined with the United States Government in a co-operative move to prevent the transshipment of strategic materials behind the Iron Curtain.

The Secretary of Commerce, Charles Sawyer, announced the agreement today, saying in a statement that it means that goods exported by the US and the 10 countries will "go where they are supposed to go and stay there."

There have been charges in Congress that some foreign countries have been buying strategic materials from the US and then selling them to countries in the Soviet bloc. Congress has passed legislation denying American aid to any country sending war-potential goods behind the Iron Curtain.

This legislation has allowed exceptions to be made, however, when such trade is in the interest of Western defence—as, for instance, when it enables a Western country to get valuable strategic materials from the Iron Curtain. The Administration has granted a number of exemptions.

CHECKS PROVIDED

Mr Sawyer said that under the new procedure the government of an importing country will certify to the government of the exporting country that the materials involved:

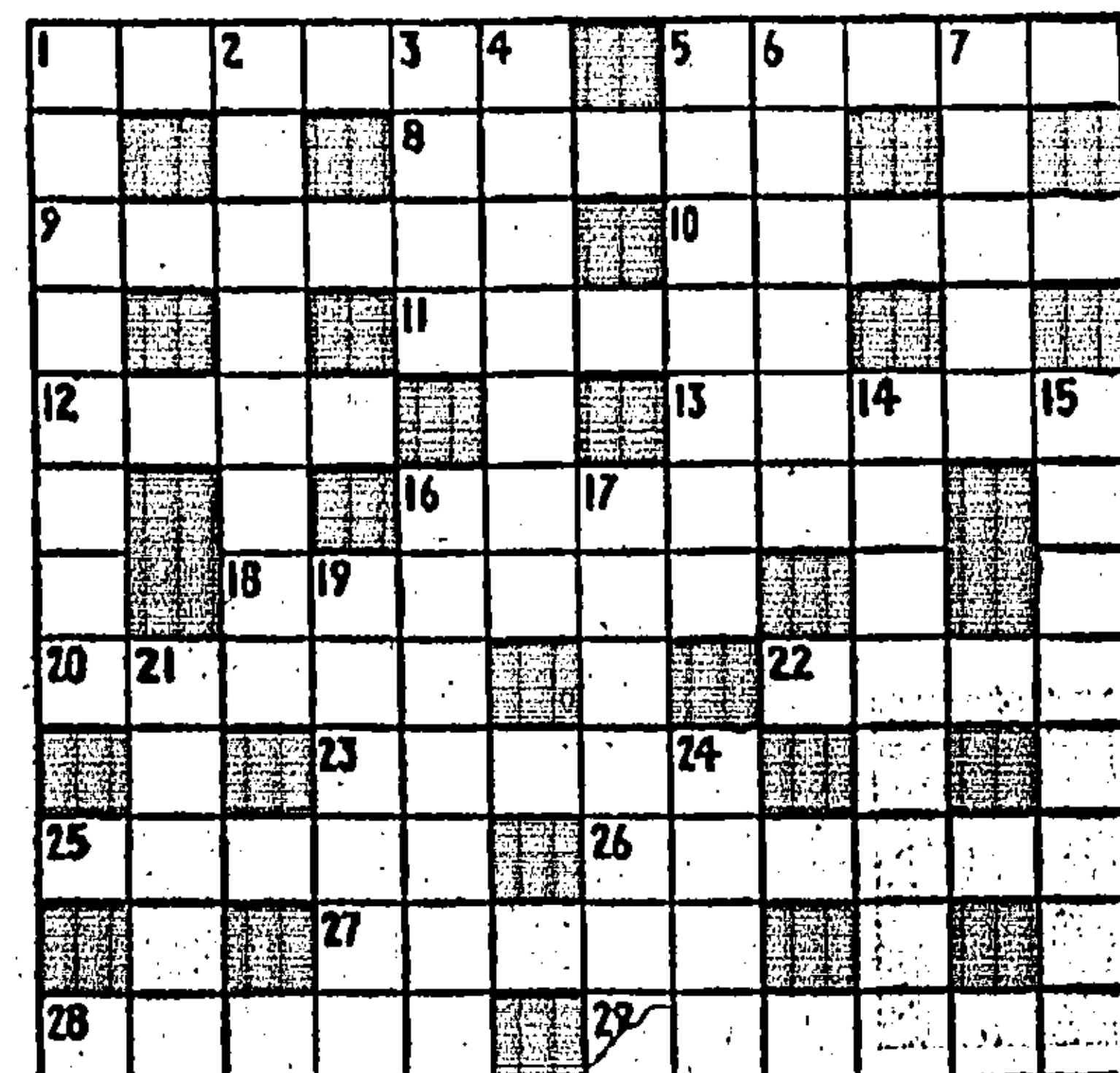
- (1) will be used in the importing country or
 - (2) will not be re-exported without official authorisation.
- A system of checks to make sure the agreements are lived up to also is provided. Countries joining the US in the programme are Belgium, Denmark, France, Italy, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Great Britain, Western Germany and the Netherlands.—Associated Press.

CLAY PIGEON EXPERT DEAD

Tadworth, Feb. 24. Major Harry Northover, whose death has taken place at Tadworth, Surrey, was at one time the sole maker of clay pigeons in England and during the war supplied 40,000,000 to the Services for sharp-shooting training.

They were produced at his Dunstable factory at the rate of 1,250,000 a month on machines of his own design with an output of 650 an hour. In the 1914-18 war Major Northover started the first clay pigeon shooting school for air gunners in France. He was the inventor of the Northover projector.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Narrative poem (6).
 - 2 Nomads (5).
 - 3 Rhythm (5).
 - 4 Rebound (6).
 - 5 Lukewarm (5).
 - 6 Satan (5).
 - 7 Soon (4).
 - 8 Slaves (5).
 - 9 Perfid (5).
 - 10 Flavour (5).
 - 11 Harsh (5).
 - 12 Norwegian historic story (4).
 - 13 Monsters (5).
 - 14 Implement (5).
 - 15 Rebellion (5).
 - 16 Went wrong (5).
 - 17 Peevish (5).
 - 18 Fault (5).

The Expense Of Golf...

London, Feb. 24. Guy Harrie Jennings-Bramly, aged 53, of Duke's Avenue, New Malden, admitted at Kingston that he stole £238 11s. 9d. belonging to the Combe Hill Golf Club, Surrey, when he was club secretary. He was put on probation for three years and ordered to repay £100.

He was alleged to have told the police: "I found it impossible to live on my means. This club is one of the most expensive in the country, and my expenses for clothes and entertainment had to be in accordance with my position."

The chairman of the club said that it was considered that the expense allowances were adequate. Jennings-Bramly was not expected to reciprocate drinks on every occasion.

Elaborate Function In Moscow

Moscow, Feb. 24. The Soviet Army Chief of Staff, General Sergei Shchegolev, exchanged a champagne toast with the Acting United States Military Attaché, Lieutenant Colonel R. B. Thorne, at a full dress dinner and dance last night in honour of Soviet Army Day.

The toast was "The Soviet and American Armed Forces."

It was understood that General Shchegolev most of the evening was cordial in his exchanges with the military guests from the United States Embassy.

The reception was held in the smart Officers' Club in the Red Army House in Moscow. It was attended by a score of marshals, generals and admirals of the Soviet Armed Forces and military attaches from the foreign embassies in Moscow.

Foreign military observers among the guests commented that it was a more elaborate affair than last year, with a concert given by Red Army choirs.—Reuter.

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DEFENCE OF COLONIAL SYSTEM

"Still Necessary In Some Parts Of The World"

'Times' Replies To Attacks In The General Assembly

London, Feb. 23. The Colonial system is still necessary in some parts of the world, states the Times in its editorial column.

It was reviewing the attitude of the Colonial Powers towards the latest series of attacks against them made by non-colonial countries before the General Assembly of the United Nations in Paris.

BAD TASTE OFFENDS FLORENCE

Florence, Feb. 24. Thousands of Florentines demonstrated today against architectural bad taste in the reconstruction of their historic, war-damaged city.

An Action League of Artists and Writers led a protest procession through the streets, waving banners bearing such slogans as "Florence, we could not save you from destruction, but we will save you from reconstruction."

The crowd whistled and jeered outside what they consider the main eyesore of the city—a modern-style building alongside the famed 14th Century Ponte Vecchio, which alone of the city's six bridges survived the war unscathed.

The demonstrators earlier charged at a public meeting that:

Gardens were being sacrificed to new building schemes. "Hideous" constructions were being put beside exquisite masterpieces of medieval architecture. Sky-scrapers were sprouting like weeds.

It was proposed to rebuild the famous Ponte a Santa Trinita with reinforced concrete.

The Christian Democrat Mayor, Signor Giorgio La Pira, promised his help after the Action League delivered a note declaring: "To spoil Florence is to cover ourselves with dishonour."—Reuter.

UN Survey In Germany

Bonn, Feb. 24. Representatives of the German Federal Republic have been invited to meet, on March 17, members of a United Nations' commission set up to survey the possibility of elections for the whole of Germany.

The invitation was contained in a letter to the Federal Government, from the Allied High Commissioners.—France-Press.

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And it adds: "Anyone who doubts this should read the reports of the technical bodies of the United Nations."

In judging whether the activities of the United Nations are of benefit to the dependent peoples, the Times asserts it must be remembered that public debates are not the whole story.

The United Nations places at the disposal of both colonial and non-colonial peoples a range of useful and advisory services of which much less is heard.

The Trusteeship Council itself has become steadily more constructive than it was in its less experienced beginnings.

"In the General Assembly and the Trusteeship Council," continued the Times, "the debates concerning the administering Powers, have admittedly disturbing possibilities."

"It is useful, no doubt, that colonial administrators and white settlers should be reminded that feeling, critical of all colonies, is widespread and that they will ignore it at their peril."

"At the same time, there is no sense in a constant flow of ill informed and undiscriminating criticism."

UN FUNCTIONS

The Times sets out the functions of the United Nations over colonial questions.

In the permanent body, the Trusteeship Council, which is concerned with the administering of trust territories, the discussions are mostly on matters of substance; in the plenary sessions of the General Assembly, and in the attendant body, the Trusteeship Committee, administering Powers are subjected to a more general attack by various blocs of countries who regard all colonies as morally wrong and wish to alter the procedure of the United Nations to give it more control in trusteeship matters than was ever intended in the Charter.

"It is of no use for the administering Powers to point to the benefits they have given to backward peoples, because they are talking to delegates with minds largely closed."

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But since it is highly dubious that the Soviet Government wants an Austrian treaty in any circumstances, and because under the shorter version she would lose many of the advantages she hopes to gain under the existing draft, diplomatic quarters here are pessimistic of the chances of her considering it.—Reuter.



General Eisenhower, whose chances of being nominated Republican candidate for the Presidency are gaining headway every day, according to a statement made in Washington yesterday by Senator James Duff, one of his chief supporters.

DODGING THE AVALANCHES

Vienna, Feb. 24. Winter motorboat trips to dodge the avalanches—have been organised on the picturesque Traunsee, a lake in Upper Austria well-known to summer tourists.

The continuing thaw has increased the danger of great masses of snow crashing down on to the railway track along the shores of the Traunsee from the towering heights above, and the railway has now been closed.

The first motorboat load of passengers saw a tremendous avalanche tear down the mountain side, covering the railway line and sinking into the lake.—Reuter.

MAIN RESULTS

The dispute did not, however, develop further. The Trusteeship Committee's resolution never reached the Assembly; and the Herreros could not leave Africa.

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Zafrullah Khan In Cairo

Cairo, Feb. 24. The Pakistani Foreign Minister, Sir Zafrullah Khan, arrived here tonight on a four-day official visit as the guest of the Egyptian Government. He is expected to discuss questions of Middle East defence within Western global strategy with the Egyptian Prime Minister, Ali Maher Pasha, during his stay. Sir Zafrullah Khan is also to confer with Assem Pasha, Secretary-General of the Arab League.—Reuter.

SCANDAL IN BERLIN SCHOOLS

Berlin, Feb. 24. East Berlin parents have demanded that the police clean up the city's night life after school teachers found that their students had established a "love bureau" and were reading vicious literature.

Reporting this today, the East Berlin newspaper, Berliner Zeitung, said that teachers in State School No. 8 began the surprise search because their pupils showed "a growing absent-mindedness and a lapse of discipline."

They made 400 boys and girls stand in line and turn out their pockets and satchels.

On the table afterwards they found countless copies of trashy, vicious literature. The books, the paper said, ranged "from tearful, sloppy rubbish to filthy eroticism."

"But worse was to follow—the teachers found that the pupils had begun to transport theory into practice. Especially noteworthy was the fact that among these boys and girls—no more than 14 or at the most 15 years old—a 'love bureau' had been established."

"Letters were exchanged according to strict rules," the newspaper said.

"Also piled on the table were entrance tickets to expensive West Berlin bars, West Berlin cinemas and dance halls."

Following the search, parents called the police and demanded a campaign against the Eastern sector's more disreputable dance cafes. The police replied by asking parents to exercise stricter control over their children's leisure time and reading matter.

Both agreed that the accessibility of "trash" in the Western sector of Berlin was a constant danger to the morals of young East Berliners, the newspaper concluded.—Reuter.

Iran Signs Contract With W. Germany

Teheran, Feb. 24. A contract for supply of canalisation pipes in exchange for Iranian oil has been concluded between Iran and Federal Germany. The value of the contract is \$300,000.—France-Press.

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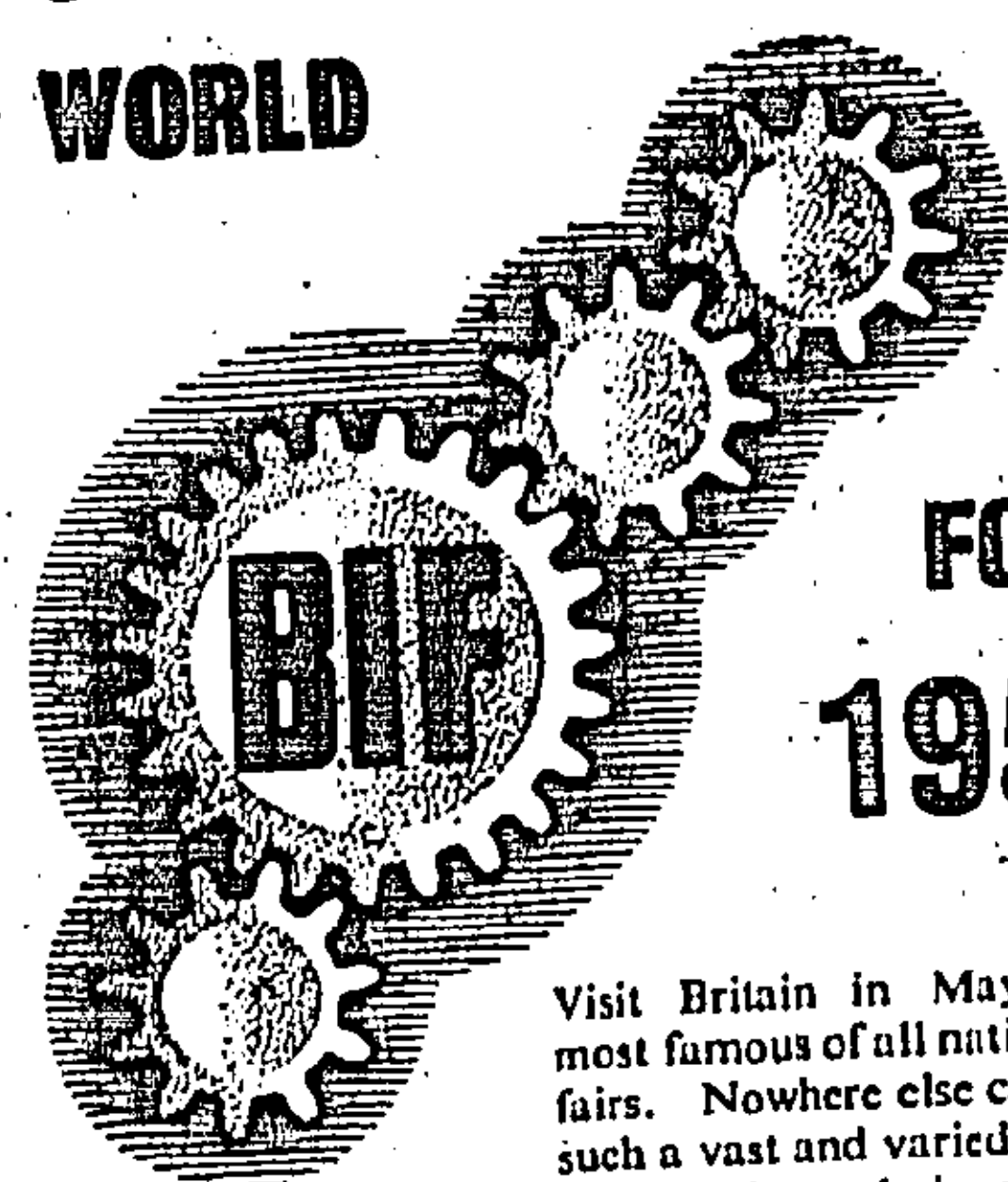
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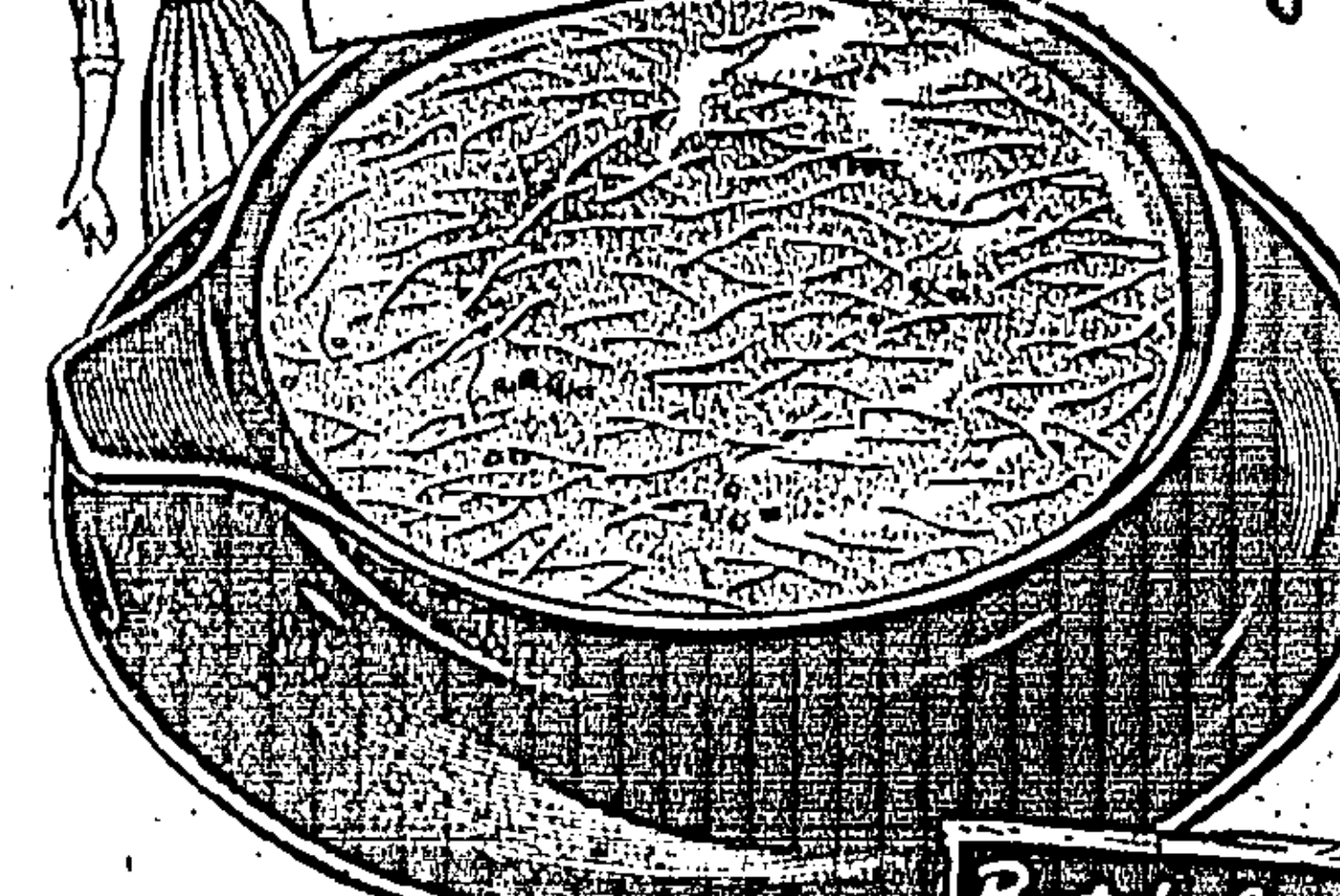
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I pick him as a man with the Elizabethan spirit. In single combat he shot down 20 enemy planes during the war, and in time of peace he has harnessed to commerce his skill and courage and love of adventure. Flight of the Comet through the Empire skies may be seen as an augury of things to come in the New Elizabethan Age. For the whole of space remains to be conquered.

A sign

ELIZABETH II., by her first action as Queen, gave us a symbol for this New Age.

Swift, high, and sure she flew across forest and desert, mountain and sea, from African colony to Empire capital. The plane that bore her home was an Empire plane, an Argonaut built in Canada and driven by British engines.

What a sign is there. For nothing is more certain to bring prosperity and greatness to the Empire than full, courageous, and vigorous use of the aeroplane.

Aeroplanes, fleets of them, can fill the nation's coffers in time of peace, and strike down the Queen's enemies in time of war. But they cannot be strong in war unless they are strong in peace.

Study the pattern under the first Elizabeth. Her subjects took to the seas, with her active

encouragement. Today the same opportunities lie before us in the skies, and particularly in the Empire skies.

Take Canada. Incalculable riches lie beneath the snows of her vast northern territories. Where natural barriers impede the progress of surface transport. But aeroplanes know no barriers. Already they are busy above that sub-Arctic El Dorado.

Using delicate electronic instruments they plot the contours of mineral layers. They carry men, machinery, and supplies to outlying camps and bring the merchandise back to the cities of the south.

It's exciting...

I will give you the name of one man who has seen the vision. He is Sir Roy Dobson, the hard-headed Yorkshireman who rose to be managing director of A.V. Roe, one of Britain's greatest aeroplane firms.

After the war he went to Toronto, and there, on the fringe of the northern territories he planted an offshoot of the parent firm, to produce planes and engines for the Empire.

As in Canada, so in Africa and Australia. British possessions in

Africa could alone supply the world with coal for centuries to come. In Australia vast prairies await the cattle and crops which could feed the Empire.

When the skies above these lands hum with the coming and going of merchant planes, hump men and supplies over the wastes and bringing out the best and the minerals, Britain will be great again.

There is another man who has grasped these opportunities. He is Sir Geoffrey de Havilland, whose family firm has branches established in South Africa and Australia.

But Sir Geoffrey, like Sir Roy, can do no more than provide the opportunity for others. They must wait for an upsurge of spirit and enthusiasm before their dreams come true.

Then aeroplane factories all over the Empire will buzz with activity, as the shipyards around our coasts buzzed 400 years ago. Young men with flying in their hearts will have opportunity unlimited to do and dare as air merchants or as air warriors—either or both, as occasion demands.

These are the men. It is hard to name. They are among us, these New Elizabethans, but

they have not yet emerged. Though they may dream, they may not act.

For the State became the chief post-war customer of the aeroplane makers, and the State was not adventurous. Production of planes fell off and prices rose.

See the results. Today, with trading opportunities abounding and untapped, and with the Queen's enemies strong and threatening, there are not enough planes or fliers either to take up the challenge of adventure or to face the dangers of war. But the nucleus is there. Britain's Sir Frank Whittle gave the world a practicable gas turbine engine for jet-plane propulsion, and today British scientists still design the best jets in the world.

Not long ago it seemed that we had reached the limit in aeroplane performance. The sound barrier stood in the way of progress, mysterious and deadly. That, too, has been stormed and beaten down.

It's wonderful

LAST September, at Farnborough Airfield, thousands of startled spectators saw a swept-winged bullet flash past, a few feet from the ground. A moment later they heard a whoosh and a crack. That was test pilot Neville Duke taking Britain's new fighter through the sound barrier—and just in front of their noses.

There is a man with the spirit for the times—a man to put alongside Cunningham. What men to have among us, what a time to be young! What an Age to grow up in!

REDS PLANNED TWO OFFENSIVES IN KOREA WHILE TALKING PEACE

By Noel Monks

DOCUMENTS captured on dead Chinese soldiers within last six months have shown that on two occasions since truce talks started the Communists have been about to launch a full scale offensive against United Nations positions in Korea.

On both occasions, Seoul, the capital, was to be the first objective—"at all costs the capital must be taken" were the orders.

The first attack was planned for last September, two months after the cease-fire talks began in Kaesong, on July 10. The second was timed for November—the now famous Gunpowder Plot—but the gallant

reaction of British Commonwealth troops threw this off balance right at the start and it never really got going.

The September attack, of which our intelligence learned in every detail, was brilliantly planned by Communist General Nam Il but had to be called off within a few days of the jump-off time, September 25, because of the devastating effect of United Nations air attacks on supply centres. On both occasions, the UN forces were alerted to expect "everything". They are still expecting.

It can be revealed now that first news of the September attack came from documents found on a dead Chinese officer. "He had taken with him on patrol just about everything he shouldn't have taken" an intelligence officer told me. At first expecting a "plant", intelligence officers finally became convinced that the Communists planned an attack because of the detailed nature of the orders.

"No soldier must turn back" the orders read, "and there must be no complaining by Communist forces when they get caught in our own shell fire—complaining is bad for morale. In such close fighting it is not always possible to distinguish between our own or the enemy's shells. No call for help will be answered. Every man must be prepared to go to his death."

That the Chinese were prepared to make this all-out attack while the talks were still in session convinced UN commanders that "no holds are barred" in Korea.

The November attack was directed solely at the British positions. We were prepared for it, and our troops held firm. A breakthrough of any magnitude would have been instantly exploited by the

Chinese, who had three complete armies waiting in the rear assembly areas.

It was in this attack that Private Speakman, of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, won his Victoria Cross. The KOSB's also collected two DSO's, three MC's and four MM's in the same action.

Because General Van Fleet doesn't trust Communist intentions even with the peace talks in full swing against the whole Eighth Army is constantly on the alert.

A significant feature of the orders for the planned September and November Chinese offensives was the fact that air support, either tactical or strategic, was not mentioned.

"The Communists know now that if they throw in air, the war is really on, in a big way," an Air Force general told me.

No senior officer in the United Nations Command, from General Ridgway down, thinks that the Russians will support the Chinese to the extent of providing full air power. Not unless they are ready for World War Three. The American Far East Air Force command is adamant on this: "The moment the Reds lay on air attacks from their Manchurian bases, our bombers will be on their way to Manchuria within the hour," a senior officer told me.

At the moment, the Communists can't use their air bases in North Korea because of the constant pounding by our bombers which keeps them unserviceable.

The question of these airfields has proved one of the stumbling blocks at Panmunjom. The Reds would be gaining a big advantage indeed if they were permitted to rebuild these wrecked airfields under cover of an armistice. And none knows more than they. Because the September offensive was cancelled and the

November one misfired doesn't mean that the Chinese won't try again.

Indeed, the UN command are prepared to meet a Spring assault. There are nine Chinese armies opposite the UN lines—five along the front and four in reserve. They total about 600,000 men. In all artillery pieces, except in heavy categories, the Communists are probably on even terms with us now. They could mount a very heavy offensive indeed, even without full air support.

It is generally accepted now that the Russians are using the airfields across the Yalu River, in Manchuria, as a training area for their MIG jet pilots. A check over the last six months has shown that each class of pilots "passes out" they are sent into battle with the American jets.

It is believed that the survivors of two or three battles are sent back to Russia, new recruits taking their place. The Americans have seen to it that quite a number never go back.

There is something of the Spanish civil war about the air war in Korea. Franco was both to admit that the UN was helping him out with both pilots and machines. The Chinese won't tell who the pilots of the MIG's are, and as no air battle has been fought within the United Nations lines, we can only guess.

Nothing will coax the MIG pilots anywhere near our lines. Our pilots have tried all sorts of tricks, but the MIG pilots always break off when there's danger of them getting near our lines. "Those guys have got guilty consciences," one American Air Force general remarked.

And so is the Eighth Army

MYSTERY OF THE ROMANIES

By J. W. Taylor

LONDON. THE "Gypsies" friend, Miss Ellen Willmot-Ware, has been in the news again with her fight against the ban of the authorities on the gypsy camp on her farm near Cheltenham, emphasising how much the problems of this vagrant race are still with us.

Government viewpoint is: "Gypsies have their rights. It is left to local authorities to select sites. There is no declared Government policy towards gypsies, as such." On the other hand, local authorities do their best for the gypsies, but rely a good deal on the Public Health Act as a guide concerning the suitability or otherwise of encampment sites.

Soon local authorities will be faced with the problem more acutely than at any time of the year, for with the approach of Spring the gypsies are on the move again.

World Mystery

From time immemorial, the gypsies have been one of the world's mysteries. It has not been possible to establish for certain where the gypsy race originated. They just appeared on the scene and moved from place to place. One early account of their arrival in Paris, dated Sunday, August 17, 1427, reads: "There arrived a duke, a count and ten knights, all gaudily dressed and mounted on horseback. They said they were good Christians from Little Egypt." They departed as mysteriously as they had arrived.

Always the world's vagrant race, wandering from country to country without a settled home, the gypsies were formerly looked upon as people who possessed magical and occult powers, and were often said to be in league with the devil.

An Egyptian origin has long been ascribed to the gypsy, and this belief was strengthened by the strange tales which they spread about themselves. They claimed to have come from a mythical country of their own called "Little Egypt," whose geographical position was much

in doubt. It was said to be somewhere around the eastern Mediterranean, between Greece and Armenia. Earlier the word "gypsy" or "gypsy" was spelled "sycyan," standing for Egyptian.

Certain traits in the gypsy language, however, point to the greater likelihood of their originating in India, with possibly the northwest as their first home. Everywhere the gypsies have funeral rites resembling those of the Hebrews. One theory is that Alexander the Great's invasion drove them from India and that they eventually came to the Greek influence. In many instances today the gypsy counts in Greek numerals.

Not Welcomed

Other authorities maintain that the gypsies did not migrate from India B.C., but moved to the northwest until about 800 A.D., when they began a dispersal spreading across all over Western Asia, Europe and finally America. As today, they piled their trades as smiths, horse dealers and metal workers, and achieved fame as soothsayers, dancers and musicians.

There are about three quarters of a million of the race in Europe. Early German records speak of the mysterious people who appeared in the country as uncouth, black, dirty and barbarous. All wended their way across the land on foot, except their gaudily-dressed leaders, comprising a count and a few knights.

In England at first they were by no means welcomed. Other countries sentenced the "Egyptians" to exile under pain of death for remaining. In 1611, four gypsies were hanged in Edinburgh, "for abiding within the kingdom, they being Egyptians."

This century has even known of drives against them in Europe, whilst a Britain which gradually became more hospitably inclined towards them eventually had to face the "difficult" problem of educating the children of these nomads. Indeed the gypsies are still negotiating with London on the matter connected with their matters, proving that to this day the very real problems of this vagrant race are still with us and proving difficult to solve.

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No Surprises In Stirring Cup-tie Clashes

London, Feb. 23.

The only surprising feature of today's English F.A. Cup fifth round ties and Scottish Cup third round games was that there were no surprises.

In the south, Arsenal and Portsmouth, joint favourites, and Newcastle Cup holders, all got through safely. North of the border, Rangers, Hearts and Dundee continued their triumphant progress.

Of the "great battles" none was fought. All three Third Division Clubs were beaten. South end lost at home to Sheffield United after holding a one-goal interval lead. Leyton were no match for Arsenal, who scored three times without reply. Wimbledon, after a painful fight, were beaten 3-1 by Luton.

Berwick Rangers, the only club not from the two premier divisions concerned in the Scottish Cup, put up the best performance of the day. They held Dundee to a solitary goal.

Newcastle had several anxious moments at Swansea before winning their game. Half-time scores the only goal five minutes before half-time. Had Swansea been able to finish off their moves, they must surely have won, for they had 70 per cent of the play.

A crowd of 50,000 saw Blackburn beat West Bromwich Albion 1-0. The passport to the sixth round was a penalty successfully converted by England full-back Ekersley five minutes from time.

Player Sent Off

An unfortunate incident at Portsmouth, when Doncaster were soundly beaten by four goals to nil, was the sending off in the closing stages of Doncaster left-half and captain, Miller.

Several times during the game the referee spoke to players about robust tackling.

The day of shocks was reserved for the League games. In Division II, Coventry won at Rotherham to climb further away from the bottom, while Leicester, who lost by two goals to nil at Southampton, dropped back in the promotion race.

In Third Division South, Reading's fine 3-0 victory at Northampton put them, only two points behind Plymouth Argyle, who were without a game.

Lincoln, in Third Division North, won convincingly against Tranmere and gained another point's advantage over Stockport, who were surprisingly held to a home draw by Wrexham.

The defeat of Hibernian in the Scottish League has left Rangers with an outside chance of taking the championship. Celtic, beaten 1-0 by Raith Rovers, are now in the relegation danger zone once more.

A furiously contested game at Leeds resulted in the United and Chelsea sharing two goals. The strenuous tactics brought its injuries but none was serious. Milburn, Leeds' centre forward, who used to play full-back until quite recently, went off with a head injury in the second half but returned 15 minutes later after having three stitches inserted in the wound.

As expected, Portsmouth, who some consider to have a good chance of completing the Cup and League double, had an easy victory over Doncaster Rovers.

After being subdued for a time by their Second Division opponents, Portsmouth settled down to out-play the Rovers and scored four goals without reply—the most convincing victory of the round.

Burnley were the more compact side in their all-League match with Liverpool, and, because of their ability to take chances, beat their First Division colleagues by two first half goals. There were only two games in each of the First and Second Divisions.

Spurs Beat Preston

In the senior League Tottenham Hotspur, with a 1-0 victory over Preston North End, went in

Savitt Wins Indoor Tennis Championship

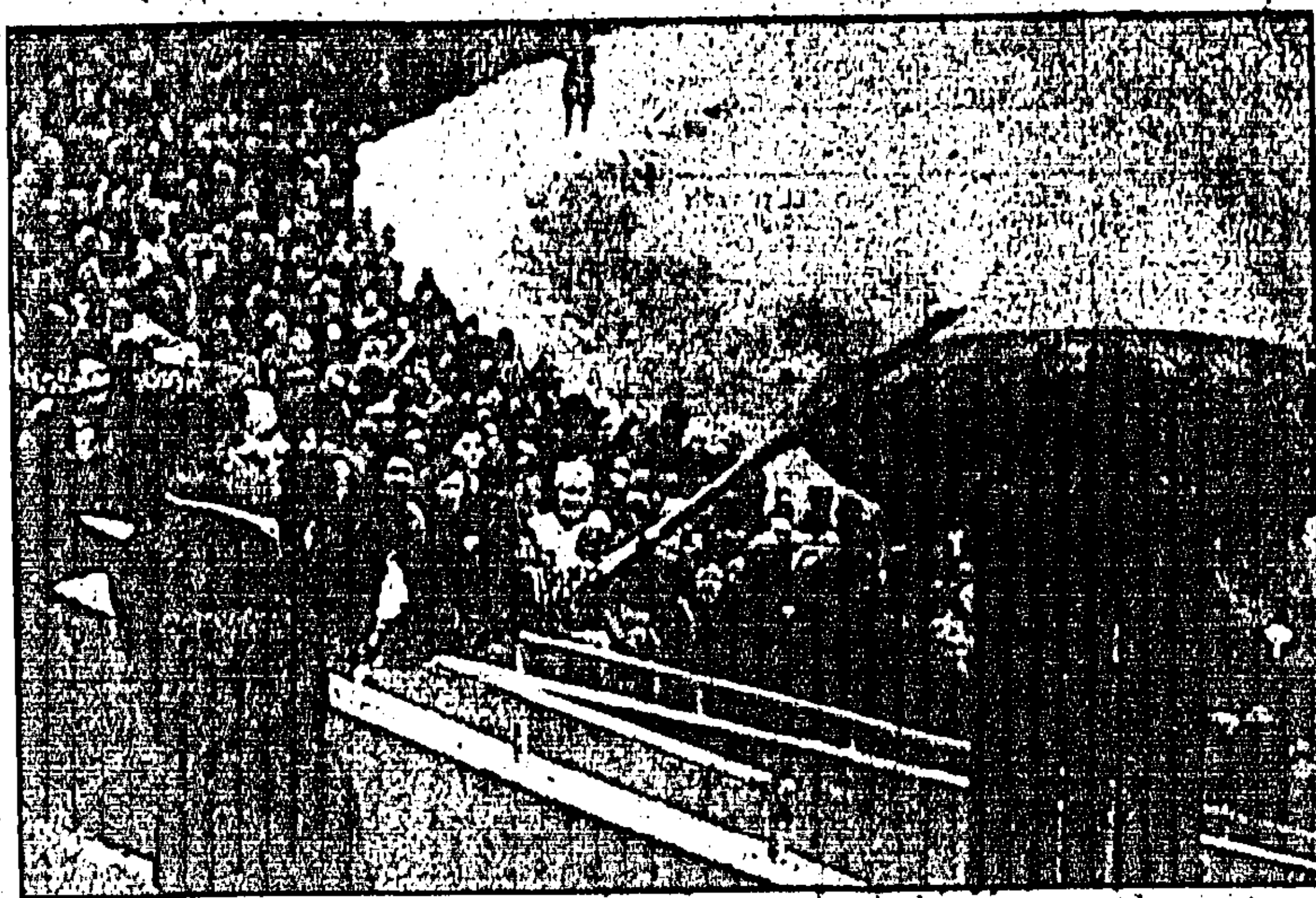
New York, Feb. 24.

Dick Savitt, second ranking U.S. player, captured the National indoor tennis championship today by defeating Billy Talbot in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.

The women's singles crown was taken for the third straight time by Mrs. Nancy Chaffee Kline, who defeated the former indoor title-holder, Mrs. Patricia Todd, 6-4, 6-2.

Talbot and Budge Patty won the men's doubles crown, beating Savitt and Tina Hoffman, 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. United Press.

THE OLYMPIC FIRE IS LIT



The grandson of Frithjof Nansen, the great explorer, lighting the Olympic fire at the Bislet Stadium in Oslo for the opening of the Winter Olympics. (Central Press).

The Olympic Winter Games

Bergmann Wins World Ski Jump Championship: Canada Tops Ice Hockey

Oslo, Feb. 24.

Gardner Going On The Farm

Market Harborough, Feb. 24.

Jack Gardner, British and Empire heavyweight boxing champion, has bought a farm of about 40 acres near Market Harborough.

Gardner said, "I have no intention of retiring yet. I have to think of the time when my boxing days are over."—Reuter.

The Sixth Winter Olympic Games came to a spectacular climax today with Canada retaining the ice hockey championship and Norway made a sweep of the ski jumping, making them the undisputed but unofficial champions of the games they hosted. Olympic officials recognise only individual performance.

America's hockey team tied the heavily-favoured Canadians on a goal in the final three minutes by Jerry Sedin, a 25-year-old jeweller maker. A crowd of 10,000 jammed Jordal Stadium to witness the championship encounter.

The Canadians, defending champions, won the crown on seven straight previous victories. The United States clinched second place in the hockey standings with a 6-1 mark while Czechoslovakia and Sweden were tied for third. The Czechs upset the Swedes 4-0.

They will play off tomorrow for the third position, and their game also will decide the European champion, since that country can concurrently win the Olympics.

The decision to play off both titles, according to Rudolf Ekloef of Stockholm, Vice President of the International Ice Hockey Federation, was based on a new I.H.F. rule which calls for playoffs instead of goal averages as a means of settling European or world championships.

The five points in hockey raised the United States overall team total to 89½, well ahead of third place Finland. But the Sixth Winter Games cannot be consigned to history quite yet. The hockey game between Poland and Norway was postponed until Monday because of soft ice at Dallenenga Rink and will be played before formal closing ceremonies.

The wave of humanity that flooded to Holmenkollen and stood for hours in the snow constituted the largest crowd ever to watch a winter sports spectacle. The previous high mark was 130,000 which attended the Olympic ski jumps at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, in 1936.

U.S. FAILS TO PLACE

The Americans failed to place in the ski jump. Their top performance came from an unexpected source when Kelly Weggman, 20-year-old Denver University student, outthrew Uncle Sam's veteran aces to capture 12th place in the field of 44.

Japanese entrant Tatsuo Watanabe placed 27th. Three of his countrymen ranked as follows: Ryochi Fujisawa, 34th; Hiroshi Yoshizawa, 35th; and Kozo Kawashima, 42nd.

Art Devlin, the four-time U.S. champion from Lake Placid, N.Y., could do no better than 15th while Art Tolle's best was a tie for 18th. Tolle is the Norwegian-born Brooklyn carpenter who holds the present national championship.

Bergmann of Norway won the jump with 228 points, based on style as well as distance, which gave him a decided edge over his fellow countryman and best friend, Torbjorn Falkanger, who was second with 221½.

Sweden's Karl Holstrom was third, followed by Norway's

Wahoos Make No Mistake In Pennant Tilt: Saints Get Narrowly Home In Key Game

By "GRANDSTAND"

The Wahoos are the first to be declared champions this year when they annexed the Ladies' Senior title by outthumping the Squaws to register a 12-5 triumph over the weekend, while the Pool To College girls nosed out their rivals from Caroline Hill by 9-8.

Both of the "A" Division tussles in the Senior League were close affairs, as the Saints shaded the Madcaps 4-3 on Jindoo Hussain's timely hit in the final semester while the Canucks who were well on the way to an upset victory finally succumbed to the Overseas 7-6.

Two hitless shutout performances featured the Junior League programme as Jimmy Herrick of the Pandas turned back the Griffins 11-0, while eleven strikeouts to his credit and Renne Barretto of the Blackhaws mowed down 9 Dragons to register his third shutout game of the season.

Wahoos 12 Squaws 5

The Wahoos unleashed a terrific onslaught of base-hits to register their fifth consecutive title in the Ladies' League when they subdued the challenging Squaws 12-5.

The veteran battery of hurler Terry Noronha and Patsy McDonald proved too tough for the opposition and backed by fielding tighter than a drum, limited the Squaws to two hits for the whole game, one of them being Thelma Coelho's homerun with the first pitch, but backed by some fancy churning, the Owls stepped up the pressure and collected 12 tallies on 13 blows, three of the runs being nipped up when Sheila Collico blasted out a circuit blow with two runners on base in the third inning.

From Stacey, who is leading the batting race, was in brilliant form when she lashed out three safe-hits in four times at bat to consolidate her unchallenged position.

The Owls who batted first failed to produce any result as they went out in order but the Squaws started off with a powerful attack as Thelma Coelho belted Terry Noronha's first pitch for a round-tripper. The Wahoos answer to that was a series of hits in their next turn with the hickory, led off by Patsy McDonald's safety followed by Irene Stacey, Dolly Maddox and Sheila Collico, the latter with a four-master which knocked the wind out of the Squaw sails.

A couple of miscues on the part of the Owls in the third inning put the Squaws back into the game but a continuation of the hitting barrage in the next chapter found the Owls ahead again and to make sure of things, another series of devastating hits in the fifth increased the lead to an unassailable distance.

Battling honours were shared by the new champions with Irene Stacey with three in four, Dolly Maddox, Patsy McDonald and Sheila Collico with two in four, the latter accounting for the Wahoo homer. For the Squaws Thelma Coelho clouted a homer and the other hit was made by Benita Remedios.

Saints 4 Madcaps 3

A capably crowd watched Madcap hopes for the flag fade away when they bowed to the Saints in a 4-3 noseout, and the strange thing about the expected battle of sluggers was that none of the Big-Ten studding the powerhouse lineups of these two outfits managed to get even a scratch single.

This included Rene Siqueira, Dave Leonard, Buster Wade, Edo Almeida, Pete McKee and George Saunders.

With gardener George Souza and catcher Modest Khan out of the lineup due to illness and in the absence of mentor Art Ozorio, the Saints fielded a scratch team, confident that the age-old hex, they had on the Madcaps would see them through.

Tony Kwok took the rubber for victory and although he faltered on a couple of occasions, managed to hold the mighty sluggers in check. Kelly Silva-Netto on the hill for the losers was equally effective but

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

SENIOR "A" DIVISION
Saints 4 Madcaps 3
Overseas 7 Canucks 6

SENIOR "B" DIVISION
US Navy 9 Dodgers 0

JUNIOR LEAGUE
Rexes 7 Aces 5
Pandas 11 Griffins 0
Wildfires 7 Blue Sox 6
Blackhaws 14 Dragons 0
Delawares 17 Dodgers 6

LADIES LEAGUE
Wahoos 12 Squaws 5
Pool To 9 South China 8

ness, in the sixth inning W. K. Wong, J. C. Wong and K. C. Leung loaded the bases in a last ditch rally, but Barretto was equal to the occasion and fanned C. Ng with three blistering pitches.

The Bantams were happy over their 13-12 noseout over China which lifted them out of the cellar. Things started well for the Bantams as they gained a seven-run lead after two innings of play, but after lapsing into carelessness the Carolines pushed ahead with a nine-run spurge to leave them trailing behind one run.

In the crucial sixth inning, their bats came to life again and a couple of timely singles gave them a slim one-run margin to work on, which they preserved until the end.

South China tried hard to overcome the lead and were almost successful when Y. T. Hon beat out an infield hit, pliffed second and third, but steady fielding by the Bantams who had victory within their grasp saved the day for them.

Cooper on the mound for the winners wavered slightly during the game when he allowed the Chinese side to collect several damaging hits, but settled down to steady pitching for the rest of the game. The triumph did not just belong to the players for "Shorpy" McCahon, Hawks and Tracer, McMahon could justifiably claim shares of the honour with their coaching, while L. C. W. Newman basking from the bench lent great moral and vocal support, his exhortations, seemingly reviving the team when the cause seemed hopeless.

The Rexes who were fighting to keep abreast of the leaders in the Junior League accounted for the Aces 7-5. The game was a close affair as the Aces jumped into the lead with a cluster of runs but after working hard the Rexes managed to knot it up 5-5 at the end of the sixth.

In the top of the seventh a series of infield errors gave up two runs to the Rexes and it was at that time that the Aces found it fit to blame each other for their failure. Apparently an agreement could not be reached as to the cause of the downfall, and when one player refused to carry on, they couldn't finish the game with a complete side, and the points were awarded to the Rexes by forfeiture. It is understood that the Association will be investigating into the disgraceful behaviour.

Wildfires turned out in full in a resumption of their league games, but unfortunately the Blue Sox disappointed them by fielding only eight players and thus gave them an empty victory.

Junior League Games

Topping Junior League activities over the weekend, are the two brilliant pitching performances by Jimmy Herrick of the Pandas and Rene Barretto of the Blackhaws, both of these master-mounders, vying for hitless shutouts that were dependent on sheer hurling.

Jimmy Herrick who is fast becoming the minor circuit's No. 1 pitcher had the Griffins eating out of his hands as he muzzled the hard-hitting lineup with 11 strikeouts, victims, the only ones of the opposition to get on base were two walks issued and an infield error.

In the case of Barretto's hitless start was no less impressive as he exorcised nine of the Dragons at the plate and the Dragons at the plate and the dragons were equally effective but

Surprise In Women's Tennis

Bombay, Feb. 24.

Straight Coach (US) today beat Vladimir Skonecki, exiled Pole in the men's single final of the western India tennis championships, 6-0, 6-3, 3-6, 2-6, 6-2.

In the mixed doubles semi-finals, Miss Doris Hart (US) and Skonecki beat Mrs. J. Hawley (India) and H. Horman (Germany), 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.

Miss H. and Miss L. Merchant (India) caused a surprise upset in the women's doubles final, beating Miss Shirley Fry (US) and Miss L. Woodbridge (India), 6-4, 6-7, 6-1. United Press.

THE GAMBOLE



CNAAF FORCE GOVERNOR'S CUP SOCCER SERIES TO THIRD MATCH

By "SPIV"

The Chinese National Amateur Athletic Federation forced the Governor's Cup series to a third match when they defeated the Hongkong Football Association XI yesterday in the return encounter by three goals to two.

Ho Ying-fun's winning goal for the CNAAF yesterday, barely 10 minutes from the end, was worth roughly \$22,000, to the HKFA and the CNAAF who will share the takings of the third match.

Although they had more than three-quarters of the play, the CNAAF only just managed to win. Their approach work to the HKFA goalmouth and combination left little to be desired, but inability to give their pretty movements the finishing touch reduced the 20 or so scoring chances that came their way to only three goals.

The HKFA made only about 10 raids on the CNAAF goal during the whole match, which for the major period was a tussle between the CNAAF forwards and the gallant HKFA defence, but their dashing direct methods brought them two goals from these raids.

The HKFA made three changes from their originally selected team. Crookes taking over the goalkeeper's position in place of Bourton, Pickering substituting for Jones at right-wing and Wilson for McLean at centre-forward.

The CNAAF XI field one change. King Lok-sang was given the inside-left berth and Chu Wing-keung went over to the left-wing in the place of Mok Chun-wah who was unable to make the match.

Once again the HKFA defence stood out prominently in the 90-minute match, which produced some good clean and exciting soccer. Crookes at goal made two very good saves and could not be blamed for the three shots which went past him.

Tennuci was the mainstay of the defence and in addition to being almost impassable with the high shots, showed an excellent judgment in tackling the CNAAF forwards just when they were about to come within shooting range. Eltheridge held the Chinese left flank well, but Kirkland had a little difficulty in holding the fast diminutive Ho Ying-fun.

Both Santos and Toledo played a conspicuously good spoiling

game throughout, time and again showing good anticipation in their interception of the Chinese short passes.

In the forward line, Pereira and Bray were always dangerous with their speed, and particularly against a Chinese defence that was playing an attacking game yesterday. Wilson was a hard trier and the second goal for the HKFA scored by him, though conceded by a great number of the crowd to be the result of a slightly too-robust tactic by him, was still a fine piece of opportunism.

Pickering did not appear to be happy in his unaccustomed right-wing position, but improved considerably as the game progressed. Higgins was given little opportunity to give his best, the HKFA adopting mainly through passes, but on the few occasions sending his forwards through with well-judged long passes.

For the CNAAF, the most prominent player was undoubtedly Ho Ying-fun, who was the life-wire of the Chinese attack. Delightful ball control and accurate centres and passes by him always set the Chinese attack in motion. The winning goal by him in the last 10 minutes of play was a perfect one. Tong Sheung centred from the left-touchline, from about three quarters of the field, and the centre sailed across the goalmouth just outside the far upright. Ho raced across from the right-wing and without slowing down crashed the ball in the air with the left foot into the goalmouth.

Lee Tai-fai knitted the forwards together well, but lacked

that quick turn of speed in the goalmouth.

LACKED ACCURACY
Both King Lok-sang and Szeto Man fitted into the short-passing play of the forward line but both lacked accuracy and shooting power. Each of them missed at least one almost sure goal. Chu Wing-keung after being given very little time to do in the first half and being too closely marked by Eltheridge, gave better value when he switched over to inside-right in the second half and together with Lee Tai-fai and Ho Ying-fun subjected the HKFA defence to a gruelling time.

The Chinese defence had little to do until towards the end of the game, and with their forwards having most of the game, were inclined to take things easily, being caught napping frequently with the through passes. Both Tong Sun and Tong Sheung played their usual steady game at the wing-half berths. Hsu King-sing figured well in the tackling but was handicapped by his weight when it came to the through pass or after being passed. An inclination for him to play slightly too far up gave the Chinese defence some anxious moments.

THE PLAY:

For the first 10 minutes, the CNAAF were made repeated raids but failed to score. HKFA then got away and Bray tested Cheong with an acute angle shot.

Over the other end, the Chinese were putting on the pressure again and within a matter of minutes, Szeto Man sent the ball wide of its mark in an endeavour to find an opening, but to no avail.

In the 30th minute Bray missed a good chance to score. Toledo sent Wilson away with a perfect pass and, drawing the defence to him, the latter slipped the ball past Hsu King-sing to Bray who was unopposed. This clever bit of scheming resulted in Bray racing away with the defence at his heels, but from about five yards, with only the goalkeeper in his path he bloomed the ball over the crossbar.

Wilson came into the limelight again in the 37th minute when he made another clever move which resulted in HKFA opening the score. From a pass by Santos, Wilson drew the defence to him and sent Pereira away. Making a solo run down the field, Pereira made no mistake with a hard rising shot.

Just before the interval, Lee Tai-fai hit the crossbar with a hard drive. From the rebound, a melee followed which resulted in Szeto Man finding the back of the net with a header to put his team on equal footing.

Soon after the interval Lee Tai-fai beat Crookes with a fast grounder to put CNAAF into the lead.

In the 10th minute, Wilson put his team on equal terms again with a terrific acute angle drive.

With about 10 minutes more of play, Ho Ying-fun dashed all hopes of the HKFA when he scored with a lightning-like first-timer from a pass by Szeto Man.

HKFA made strenuous efforts in the closing stages to equalise, but a resolute Chinese defence managed to hold them at bay.

HKFA—Crookes, Eltheridge, Kirkland, Toledo, Tennuci, Santos, Pickering, Higgins, Wilson, Bray, Pereira.
CNAAF—Cheung Koon-hing, Hau Yung-sang, Chan Kar-sai, Tang Sum, Hsu King-sing, Tong Sheung, Ho Ying-fun, Szeto Man, Lee Tai-fai, King Lok-sang, Chu Wing-keung.

Final Lap For The Torch



A skier, carrying the Olympic Torch, arriving at the stadium at Oslo for the opening ceremony. (Central Press).

P.I. TENNIS

Mottrams Setting The Pace

Manila, Feb. 23.
The British Davis Cup player, Tony Mottram, and his wife Joy, won their respective singles matches on Sunday and teamed up to win a mixed double assignment as the favourites advanced to the quarter-finals in the National tennis tourney.

Mottram defeated Pablo Serrano 6-3, 6-0 and advanced to the quarter-finals in the men's singles together with the national champion, Felisimo Ampon, and other seeded Filipino players.

Mrs Joy Mottram eliminated Miss Julia Foz 6-0, 6-1 and then the Mottrams teamed up to whip the mixed doubles combination of Miss Lourdes Vildre and Ruben Escobar 6-2, 6-2.

Miss Liu Ssang-kou of Taipei also advanced to the ladies' singles quarter-finals with a 6-0, 6-2 triumph over Mrs. M. L. Ang.

Taipei's combination of Miss Liu Ssang-kou and Su Ming-jan defeated Miss Virginia Mota and Cesar Carmona in the day's best mixed doubles contest. Three ranking Filipino players, Desiderio Ampon, Estrella Alburo and Minda Ochona Moldero easily advanced to the singles quarter-finals, winning their matches in straight sets.—United Press.

India Loses Mankad To The Lancashire League

Stocky, sturdy Vinoo Mankad of the shuffling run and cunning left-arm spin bowled India to their first-ever Test victory over England at Madras. In the first innings he claimed eight wickets, and when England followed on, he captured another four to bring his total for the five-match series to 34, an Indian record.

But India's joy at this victory was tempered with regret. For Mankad was playing probably his last Test match for his country against England. He is a professional in the Lancashire League, and this summer when India tour England he will play for Haslingden. The club is unlikely to release him for Test matches.

Mankad, one of the best all-rounders in the world, would miss several League cup matches as well as Saturday games if he played in all four Tests for India against England.

Such a sacrifice would be too much for Haslingden, who have committed themselves heavily in securing his services.

But even if the club were willing to release him it is probable that the League authorities would object because the release of a professional might affect other matches as well.

TOP-FLIGHT BATSMAN
India's loss is heavy. Apart from his bowling ability, Mankad is also in the top-flight as a batsman. In this department, he is right-handed and his graceful stroke play calls to mind the great Duleepsinhji, who gave him his early coaching.

It was in April, 1917, that Mankad, christened Multantrai, was born. His earliest cricket was played at Nawanager High School, where he received his nickname "Vinoo".

At school he came under the guidance of Albert Wensley, the Sussex professional, who taught him the arts of fighting and variation of pace. He also encouraged him to develop his natural leg-breaks rather than persist with the off-spinners he was bowling at the time.

Mankad's first appearance in big cricket was in 1935 for Western States in the Ranji Trophy. The following year, the Nawanager Cricket Association was formed and, with Mankad in

Only the figure "28" does not appear in the points column and the lead changes hands every Saturday. Nottingham led at the moment, but Sheffield, Birmingham City, Sheffield United, Rotherham, Brentford and Notts County have all held the proud position. Yet Notts County are now fourteenth. Alone among the teams challenging for promotion, Leicester City and Leeds United have not yet held top place.

The strangest case is that of Blackburn Rovers. On Saturday night, November 10, they had played sixteen matches and had only six points to show for their efforts. Teams immediately above them had opened up quite a gap and Rovers supporters were despondent for their tail-off team. Mighty Blackburn in Division Three North for the first time was the inevitable pessimistic tale.

Look at them now. In their last fifteen games they have captured 25 of the 30 points they have played for, have risen to eleventh place, and, only five points behind the leaders, have a chance of promotion to complete the picture of this outstanding revival. Rovers have won three Cup ties, and have a fine chance of reaching the semi-finals.

Forest still unscathed on the top of the pile, but there are as many as three teams only a point behind them—two with a game each in hand—and there are another pair only two points behind, again one with a match to spare. What a scramble it is and what fun there is going to be at Easter. All the leading sides are up against close rivals on Good Friday and Easter Monday. Birmingham v. Cardiff, Brentford v. Wednesday, Forest v. Leeds are all games to be duplicated those two days, while on the Saturday there are another series of clashes. And just for a makeweight Rotherham are due at Leicester on the Tuesday.

Cambridge Wins Hockey Match

Beckenham, Feb. 23.
Cambridge University beat Oxford University by six goals to three in their annual hockey match here today. Cambridge led 3-1 at half-time.—Reuter.

LOCAL RESULTS

The following are the results of League hockey matches played yesterday:

Men's 1st Division.—RAF 0 Argonauts "A" 0; Navy 2 Police 2.

Ladies' League.—KGV "A" 5 Dorians 3; Little Flowers 4 HKU 0; Recreio 3 KGV "B" 1.

Swimming Record Beaten

Colombus, Ohio, Feb. 24.
The world swimming record for 100 yards free-style was unofficially beaten here today when Dick Cleveland who has already unemotionally beaten the same record swam the distance in 40.2 seconds.
The official world record stands at 40.1 seconds.—France-Press.

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Keen Finish Promised For First Division Cricket Title

KCC's defeat on Saturday and the RAF's win against Navy yesterday have placed the airmen — on paper at any rate — in a good position in the struggle for the first Division cricket championship

The KCC have 48 points from 16 matches and the RAF 37 points from 12 games. Should the Kai Tak eleven win the four matches they are now in arrears they will go to the top of the table with a five point margin.

Army "A" can also go ahead of the KCC if they win the four games they have in hand.

Here is the present position at the head of the league table:

	P	W	D	L	Pts
KCC	16	11	4	1	48
RAF	12	9	1	2	37
Army "A"	12	8	4	—	33

Although the KCC had what appeared to be battling strength down to No. 11, they made a wretched showing against consistently good, but never positively hostile bowling in their match against the Scorpions on Saturday.

No one showed any real confidence. Dodge scored his 31 quickly, but his innings included a number of stonky shots and he was finally out to a half-hearted stroke.

Archie Zimmerman was unlucky in the way he lost his wicket, diverting the ball into his stumps just when he looked capable of knocking the bowlers off their length.

The KCC may have got away with the points had Davidson

batted earlier. When he arrived at the wicket the crisis was too acute to allow him to take any sort of a chance. He played well ball and then had to watch Sellers lose his wicket to end the game.

Herbridge and Hill bowled well for the Scorpions, the former succeeding in making three batsmen play back to deliveries which had enough turn for the ball to beat the bat. But the impression left was that if the batsmen had used their feet a little more freely, both he and Hill could have been hit to some advantage.

The appearance of P.A. Whitcombe, former Oxford and Middlesex player, added interest to the game. A sore shoulder prevented him from bowling fast, but in his brief spell he used his height well and was not easy to get away. He scored 43 out of the Scorpions' total of 100 with a display of sound and correct batting. He is a decided acquisition to any team and the Scorpions have reason to feel happy they possess his services.

SPORTING SAM By Reg. Wootton



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"SHENGKING"	Keelung	5 p.m. 10th Mar.	
"HANYANG"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 10th Mar.	

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S. "AUTOLYCUS"	Sailed	—	In Port Holt's Wharf
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S. "PATROCLUS"	do	Sailed	17th Mar.
S. "ASTYANAX"	do	—	24th Mar.
S. "ARNEAS"	25th Feb.	—	1st Apr.
S. "ASCANIUS"	5th Mar.	—	9th Apr.
S. "PERSEUS"	12th Mar.	—	17th Apr.
S. "AGAPENOR"	18th Mar.	—	24th Apr.

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"BENRUACHAN"	U.K. via Singapore	18th Apr.
"BENMACDHUI"	Japan	24th Apr.
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"BENLEUCH"	Kure, Yokohama & Kobe.	5th Apr.
"BENRUACHAN"	Avonmouth, Liverpool, Glasgow & Antwerp.	22nd Apr.
"BENMACDHUI"	Direct to Singapore, thence London & Hamburg.	24th Apr.
"BENMACDHUI"	Kure, Yokohama & Kobe.	28th Apr.

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Proposal to change a Ship's name

We, Anglo-Chinese Shipping Co., Ltd. of Queen's Building, HONG KONG, hereby give notice that in consequence of Company Policy, we have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the motor ship "Diana Moller" of HONG KONG REGISTRY official Number 191444, Gross tonnage 52.98 tons, Register tonnage 21.66 tons, heretofore owned by Anglo-Chinese Shipping Co., Ltd. for permission to change her name to "Marine Supplier" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by Anglo-Chinese Shipping Co., Ltd.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at HONG KONG the 23rd day of February 1952.

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WATER IS PRECIOUS USE IT WISELY

"Fascist Revival In Japan Menace To Free World"

Los Angeles, Feb. 24.

The California Council of one of the two largest American Unions charged today that Fascism is rising in Japan, and urged its National Executive Committee to establish stronger ties with the Japanese people.

"The resurgence of Fascism in Japan is a matter of grave concern for the free world," said the California Industrial Union Council of the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO) in a resolution adopted by its Executive Committee today. The resolution warned that Japan could go Communist if the trend is not halted. "The suppression of a free labour movement, a free Press, and the cynical perversion of efforts to redistribute the land

have made it increasingly clear that political and economic power remains in the hands of much the same groups that made Japan a totalitarian and imperialistic despotism of the peace in 1941," the resolution states.

"The situation," the resolution went on, "merits prompt and effective action by the CIO."

It proposed that the CIO National Executive Committee take such decisive steps in support of Democratic institutions in Japan as the following:

"Make known to the Japanese people through their own newspapers that we of the CIO oppose existing and planned encroachments on their rights as free citizens and unionists."

"Through the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICTU) extend practical support to the free Japanese Trade Unions fighting for their Democratic rights."

"Invite Japanese Democratic leaders to come to the U.S. to state their case for support of the American people and their leaders."

"Use the good offices of the CIO to impress our own Government with the necessity of preserving fundamental Democracy in Japan."

"Ascendant Fascism in Japan means that the oppressed workers and the land-starved farmer will blame the US for their exploitation throughout the Orient and Middle East. As the American promise of greater freedom and social justice becomes a hollow mockery, the promises of Communism will become at once more attractive and more believable to an embittered Japanese people," the resolution warned.—Associated Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godowns, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and condition of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael and Clarke, at 10 a.m. 25th February, 1952.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 27th February 1952, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the underwriters on or before the 11th March 1952, or they will not be recognized.

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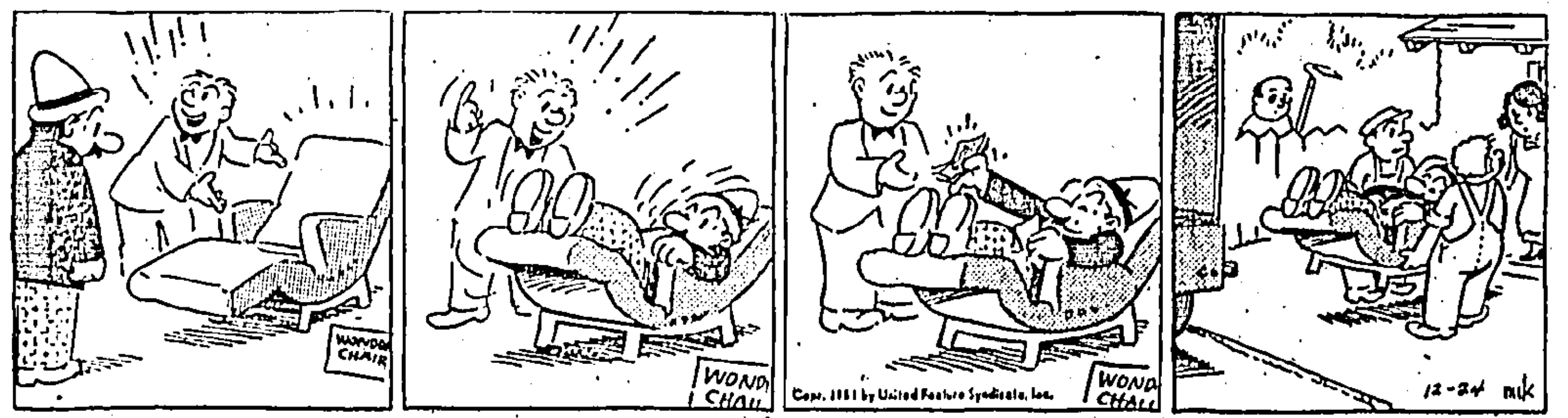
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"CANTON"	6th March	7th April
"CARTIAGE"	2nd April	4th May

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"CORFU"	14th March	14th April
"CANTON"	11th April	12th May
"CARTIAGE"	9th May	9th June

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"SURAT"	3rd April	London & Continent
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(These vessels have refrigerated cargo space)

P. & O. B. I. JOINT SERVICE

"ORNA"	In Port	from Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & Singapore
	sails 28th Feb.	for Japan
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	sails 1st March	for Japan

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"NELLORE"	Sails 2nd March	for Port Moresby, Sydney & Melbourne
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Woman Who Was Friend Of Kings

London, Feb. 24.

There died in a little bed-sitting-room over a hair-dresser's shop in Kensington a woman who had lived in mansions and walked with kings.

She was Sybil Lady Grey, widow of a baronet and daughter of Major F. Featherstonhaugh, who was manager of King George V's racing stud.

King George V knew his stud manager's tall daughter well. When she came to debutantes age she was presented to him and Queen Mary at Court. She and King George VI knew each other well, met often at Ascot and other race meetings.

Miss Featherstonhaugh married first Mr Charles Travers Aldridge, of Wolverley Hall, near Hinkley, Leicestershire, who divorced her in 1934.

SON WAS KILLED

The same year she married Sir John Foley Grey, Bt., of Enville Hall, near Stourbridge, Worcestershire, who had been named as co-respondent. When Sir John died in 1938 the estate was left to his daughter by a former marriage.

Lady Grey moved to Marsham Priory, Oxford, and Mr Percy Wardle her chauffeur, and his wife, her cook, went with her. Then blow on blow—her son was killed in a car crash in Oxford, and a war-time financial crisis forced her to leave the Priory. "Come and live with us in the cottage," said the Wardles—but the same year Mr Wardle died, and Mrs Wardle, still faithful to her former mistress, took Lady Grey to live with Mrs Wardle's father in a tiny flat over a hair-dresser's shop in Pembroke-road, Kensington.

Last April Lady Grey's mother died. King George VI and the Queen sent wreaths. Lady Grey herself became ill. Mrs Wardle found her dead in bed.

